

**WOMAN'S SOCIETY  
OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE**

*of the*

**LOUISIANA CONFERENCE**

**Methodist Church**

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**REPORT OF  
SECOND ANNUAL MEETING**

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*Second Annual Meeting*

**Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston**

**April 14, 15, 16, 1942**

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*Next Session Will Be Held In*

**Monroe, 1943**

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## LOUISIANA CONFERENCE OFFICERS

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President—Mrs. J. B. Pollard, 2107 Polk St., Alexandria.  
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Recording Secretary—Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Ruston.  
Secretary of Organization—Mrs. J. H. Thatcher, Houma.  
Treasurer—Mrs. Gilman McConnell, 2562 Terrace Ave., Baton Rouge.  
Secretary of Missionary Education and Service—Mrs. G. W. Dameron, F-47, 1901 Centenary Blvd., Shreveport.  
Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities—Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, West Monroe.  
Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild—Mrs. W. R. Simmons, 184 Preston, Shreveport.  
Secretary of Student's Work—Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, 522 Ave. B, Bogalusa.  
Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work—Mrs. E. A. Sartor, 4364 Richmond Ave., Shreveport.  
Secretary of Children's Work—Mrs. Ed Conger, Arcadia.  
Secretary of Supplies—Mrs. C. I. Jones, 6215 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans.  
Secretary of Literature and Publications—Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., Lafayette.  
Secretary of Spiritual Life—Mrs. David Tarver, Oakdale.  
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### District Secretaries

Alexandria District—Mrs. T. D. Chapman, Bunkie.  
Baton Rouge District—Mrs. S. J. Fairchild, 620 Ninth St., Baton Rouge.  
Lake Charles District—Mrs. G. J. Tinsley, Lafayette.  
Monroe District—Mrs. E. C. Gibson, Alvis Hotel, Monroe.  
New Orleans District—Mrs. C. C. Hightower, 85 Audubon Blvd., New Orleans.  
Ruston District—Mrs. Walker McDonald, Jonesboro.  
Shreveport District—Mrs. Ira Campbell, Coushatta.

### Conference Workers

Deaconess Shiela Nuttall, Rayville.  
Deaconess Mamie Chandler, P. O. Box 1244, Normal Station, Natchitoches.  
Deaconess Betty Glasson, Southwestern, 124 Smith St., Lafayette.  
Miss Florence Jones, Louisiana Tech, Ruston.

### Conference News

Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., Lafayette, Editor.

#### Members of Executive Committee

Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., 110 Sexton Rd., Shreveport.  
Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, 1134 Dalzell St., Shreveport.

## CALENDAR

January	Annual Reports made at W. S. C. S. meeting. Pledges and Budgets for year. Pledges reported to District Secretary. Installation of officers. Revised Guide provided for each officer. Officers' Training Day.
February	World-Wide Day of Prayer for Missions.
March	Executive Committee meeting. Reports sent to Conference officers and District Secretaries.
April	Reports of 1st Quarter, made at W. S. C. S. District meeting.
May	Houma Mission Day. Assembly of Methodist Women, May 19-21, 1942, Columbus, Ohio.
June	Study of Conference minutes in W. S. C. S. Pastor's School and Conference for Christian workers, Centenary College, Shreveport, June 8-12. Executive Committee meetings. Reports sent to Conference Officers and District Secretaries.
July	Reports of 2nd Quarter made at W. S. C. S. School of Missions, Mt. Sequoyah, July 6-17. Missionary Conference, Mt. Sequoyah, July 9-16.
September	District Educational Conference. Executive Committee meeting. Reports sent to Conference Officers and District Secretaries.
October	Mid-term Conference Executive meeting, Bunkie. Reports of 3rd Quarter made at W. S. C. S. Week of Prayer.
November	Appointment or Election of nominating Committee for W. S. C. S.
December	Harvest Day Pledges and Offerings paid in full. Election of Officers. Executive Committee meeting. Reports sent to Conference Officers and District Secretaries.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

### Finance—

Mrs. Gilman McConnell  
Mrs. C. C. Carver  
Mrs. W. H. Martin

Mrs. L. A. Sims  
Mrs. W. A. McKenzie

### Constitution and By-Laws—

Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter  
Mrs. J. J. McKeithen  
Mrs. S. M. Collins

Mrs. H. H. Hoff  
Mrs. C. C. Hightower

### Status of Women—

Mrs. S. J. Fairchild  
Mrs. B. C. Taylor

Mrs. V. M. Hunt  
Mrs. John Parker

### Visiting Institutions—

Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter  
Mrs. C. I. Jones

Mrs. J. H. Thatcher  
Mrs. E. A. Sartor

### Missionary Personnel—

Mrs. J. B. Pollard  
Mrs. J. H. Thatcher  
Mrs. W. R. Simmons

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy  
Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.  
Rev. G. W. Dameron

### Research Committee—

Mrs. S. M. Collins  
Mrs. Gilman McConnell  
Mrs. Guy Kinnebrew  
Mrs. W. W. Holmes

Mrs. T. F. Wilbanks  
Mrs. Thornton Cappell  
Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter

### Christian Social Relations—Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, Chairman.

#### Local Church and Community Cooperation—

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Bogalusa.

#### International Relations and World Peace—

Mrs. Roger Sharp, 1838 Robert St., New Orleans.

#### Christian Citizenship—

Mrs. W. F. Manning, Jr., Ruston.

#### Alcohol and other Narcotics—

Mrs. Howard Carter, South Ryan St., Lake Charles.

#### The Christian Family—

Mrs. H. B. Wren, 200 Dalzell St., Shreveport.

## Spiritual Life District Key Women—

Alexandria—Mrs. L. A. Blevins, Glenmora.

Baton Rouge—Mrs. H. A. Sheppard, 120 St. Maximilian St., Baton Rouge.

Lake Charles—Mrs. Eliza I. Harris, 625 Kirby St., Lake Charles.

Monroe—Mrs. C. B. Atkinson, P. O. Box 401, Monroe.

New Orleans—(to be supplied)

Ruston—Mrs. A. A. Meredith, Jonesboro.

Shreveport—Mrs. J. R. Ingram, 3791 Youree Drive, Shreveport.

## Representatives on Annual Conference Deaconess Board—

Mrs. J. B. Pollard

Mrs. C. I. Jones

## Representatives on Annual Conference Commission on Town and Country—

Mrs. E. C. Gibson

Mrs. Ira Campbell

Miss Ella K. Hooper

## Scarritt Promotion—

Miss Grace Gatewood

Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.

## Members of Jurisdiction Society—

Mrs. J. B. Pollard

Mrs. Hugh Hoff

Mrs. J. H. Thatcher

Mrs. S. J. Fairchild

Mrs. C. I. Jones

Mrs. D. C. Metcalf

Alternate: Mrs. G. W. Dameron

## Conference Wesleyan Service Guild Committee —

Mrs. W. R. Simmons, Chairman, 184 Preston, Shreveport.

Miss Nancy Sexton, Natchitoches.

Miss Mary Searles, 429 Brice St., Baton Rouge.

Miss Mildred Simmons, Welsh.

Miss Frances Langford, Bernhardt Bldg., Monroe.

Miss Joyce Odell, 1326 Lowerline, New Orleans.

Mrs. S. L. Stuckey, Ruston.

Miss Katherine Yeldell, Noel Memorial Church, Shreveport.

Mrs. E. R. Haug, Lake Charles.

Mrs. T. D. Chapman, Bunkie.

Mrs. Hugh Hoff, 3724 Pitt St., New Orleans.



## ROLL OF REMEMBRANCE

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

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"Who hath not learned in hours of faith  
This truth to flesh and sense unknown?  
That Life is ever Lord of Death  
And Love can never lose its own."  
—John Greenleaf Whittier.

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### ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Mrs. H. J. White	Mrs. Emma White
Mrs. M. E. Stedman	Mrs. T. W. Hardee, Pleasant Hill

### BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Mrs. L. W. Cain, Denham Springs	Mrs. Edna Norgess, First Church, Baton Rouge
Mrs. J. R. Hausey, Blackwater	Mrs. J. B. Merritt, First Church, Baton Rouge
Mrs. Ida Graves, First Church, Baton Rouge	Mrs. Z. Z. Linton, Hammond
Mrs. L. T. Francis, First Church, Baton Rouge	Mrs. G. W. Mixon, Live Oak
Mrs. Tom Freneaux, Lottie	

### LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Mrs. F. J. Moses, DeRidder, La.	Mrs. L. M. Monroe, Elton, La.
Mrs. Amy Bracey, Jeanerette, La.	Mrs. Anna Reid, Lake Charles, La.
Mrs. W. M. Buchanan, Lake Arthur, La.	Mrs. Lila Smart, Leesville, La.
Mrs. Clara Ferguson, Leesville, La.	Mrs. H. W. Smith, Florein, La.
Mrs. Dell Marshall, Lake Charles, La.	Mrs. R. C. Webb, Sr., Rayne, La.
	Mrs. H. E. Lewis, Crowley, La.
	Mrs. Rosa Young, Sulphur, La.



## MONROE DISTRICT

Mrs. Pearl Auld, Bastrop	Mrs. J. A. Peek, First Church, Monroe
Miss Evie Dalton, Bastrop	
Mrs. W. H. Hadley, Bastrop	Mrs. J. W. Porter, First Church, Monroe
Mrs. G. T. Franklin, Grayson	
Mrs. Betty Taylor, Grayson	Mrs. W. C. Binion, Oak Grove
Mrs. Alice Felton, Mer Rouge	Mrs. Janette Thornburg, Rayville
Mrs. W. H. Wimberly, Mer Rouge	Mrs. Sophie Harper, St. Joseph
Mrs. C. P. Andrews, First Church, Monroe	Mrs. Charles Coltharp, Tallulah
	Mrs. George Cotton, Wisner
Mrs. Anna Foster, First Church, Monroe	Mrs. E. H. House, Wisner
Miss Sadie Foster, First Church, Monroe	

## NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

Mrs. J. A. Alford	Mrs. Fehrenbach
Mrs. E. L. Allan	Mrs. Kate Johnson
Mrs. C. O. Chalmers	Mrs. P. D. Speights
Mrs. Wilbur Ford	Mrs. R. W. Wilmot

## RUSTON DISTRICT

Mrs. Reginald Hightower	Mrs. J. W. Brock, Homer
Mrs. R. C. Ferguson, Arcadia	Mrs. Maud G. Mann, Summerfield
Mrs. Albert Lee	Mrs. A. McFarland
Mrs. Dora McDermott, Gibsland	Mrs. Maud Harper
Mrs. D. H. White, Bryceland	Mrs. S. L. Barksdale, Ruston

## SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Mrs. J. H. Lebo	Mrs. Ruth Anderson
Mrs. L. M. Fowler	Mrs. J. P. Harvey

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## NAMES PLACED ON MEMORIAL ROLL

Mrs. Sudie Lingle, by the Shreveport District and First Church Society.

## PRAYER SPECIALS

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:16.

Pray that the Womans' Society of Christian Service in Louisiana may increase in members, gifts, interest, missionary vision and prayer life.

Pray daily for the Conference workers—Miss Shiela Nuttall, Florence Jones, Betty Glassom and Mamiej Chandler.

Pray daily for the workers at MacDonell School, St. Marks Community Center, Business Girls Inn and Sagar-Brown Orphanage.

Pray for our work with children, youth and students as we try to instruct them to enthuse them in the program of Christian Missions.

Pray for our sons who have gone forth to serve their country and the cause of freedom.

Pray that God may shield them from danger; keep them strong and steadfast, and help them to achieve a just and lasting peace for the whole world.

Pray that moral and religious influences may permeate the Army Training Camps.

Pray for Christian nationals who have taken over the leadership of the church in countries where missionaries have been withdrawn.

Pray for safety, courage and wisdom for missionaries throughout the world.

Pray that missionary women may give first allegiance to their church and the missionary cause, and to remain steadfast despite any difficulty that might arise.

Pray that Christians may come into an inner awareness of God as the loving Father of all men and to a sense of oneness with all those of every nation who worship Him.

## WEEK OF PRAYER SPECIALS—1942

The Foreign Department:

Latin America.

The Home Department:

Dining Hall for Wood Jr. College, Mathiston, Miss.

Addition to Wesley Community House, Oklahoma City, Okla.

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### BUDGET FOR 1942

Pledge for Womans Division Christian Service.....	\$31,000.00
Conference Expense .....	3,000.00
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	\$34,000.00

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### PLEDGES BY DISTRICTS FOR 1942

Alexandria .....	\$3,700.00
Baton Rouge .....	4,000.00
Lake Charles .....	3,650.00
Monroe .....	4,550.00
New Orleans .....	4,950.00
Ruston .....	4,800.00
Shreveport .....	8,350.00
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	\$34,000.00

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### ECHOES FROM JURISDICTIONAL MEETING

"Prayer is as powerful as our faith." Dr. L. N. Stuckey.

"My heart runs down the aisle to meet you." Mrs. E. W. Potter.

"Let your candle burn, making holes in the darkness round about."

Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.

Mrs. Sexton said the Executive body should be the "Booster Station."

"And along came God." Mrs. W. C. Hanson.

Mrs. Franklin Lewis says, "In the South Central Jurisdiction we have learned to cooperate in love."

"If Christ were at the center of our relationships, this war would not be in progress today." Miss Mary Lou Barnell.

Miss Dorothy McConnell, Editor World Outlook, in her remarks said, "The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook are always interrelated and supplementary to each other, both should be used in program building."

"If we stubbornly resist God, He has a fight on His hands . . . When the storms are raging about our Soul, we must keep the weather clear." Mrs. W. M. Alexander.

"No matter what happens to buildings and personnel of Missionary groups, the flame of that unquenchable faith will keep the power of God secure in the hearts of Missionaries and Nationals." Mrs. A. E. Beebe.

"There can be no victory brought about by force alone. Spiritual love can do what force cannot do." Dr. Paul Quillian.

"Jesus must sit at the next peace table before we can have real peace." Mrs. F. B. Godfrey.

"We may all have to decrease in some things in our homes, but please do not decrease your pledge for Missions and Pastors." Mrs. J. D. Bragg.

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## MINUTES OF MID-YEAR MEETING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE, WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

held in

MacDONELL SCHOOL, HOUMA, LA.

October 22-23, 1941

At the close of a deeply consecrated hour following the Retreat, held at MacDonell School, under the leadership of Mrs. W. M. Alexander, Mrs. J. B. Pollard opened the Executive meeting on Wednesday morning, October 23, at 10:00 o'clock. Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter led in a prayer for guidance.

Mrs. Pollard spoke on the meaning of the Retreat, and said no devotional was necessary after this spiritual meeting. She thanked Mrs. Tarver and Mrs. Dameron for their part in planning the meeting. She

urged the Conference officers to assume places of responsibility in their Local Church.

Mrs. Pollard greeted Mrs. Tarver, Mrs. Sartor and Mrs. Chapman as new members of the Conference family and Mrs. Ledbetter, present for the first time, as a representative from the Woman's Division.

Roll was called, and it was regretted that Mrs. Metcalf, Mrs. Hoff, Mrs. Conger, Mrs. Fairchild and Mrs. Hightower were unable to be present.

The Minutes of the last Executive session held in Shreveport were omitted.

Mrs. Pollard reported on the payment of \$150.00 to Camp Brewer, explaining that this sum was applied on the construction of the Auditorium.

Mrs. E. C. Gibson reported on purchase of the new car for Miss Shiela Nuttall, rural deaconess of the Monroe District. Mrs. C. C. Carver stated that Mrs. Gibson had generously advanced the money needed for the purchase of the car to the Conference, without interest.

Mrs. G. J. Tinsley moved that the Executive Committee extend Mrs. Gibson a vote of thanks for her generosity and thoughtfulness. Motion carried.

Mrs. C. C. Carver, treasurer, announced that \$9,568 was due the Woman's Division, but said she felt confident that the full amount would be paid by the end of the year.

On motion of Mrs. J. J. McKeithen, Vice-president, it was voted that the money left from Mrs. Sexton's Life Patroness Membership be returned to the respective Districts, to be used for Life memberships by supplementing it where necessary.

Mrs. Carver requested that money collected for delegates to attend Assembly be held in the Districts.

Mrs. Carver read a letter from Mrs. Fulton, treasurer of the Woman's Division, concerning the making of the Conference pledge for 1942, saying that "increased membership should mean increased giving."

Following this, Mrs. Pollard instructed the finance committee to consider carefully the Conference pledge for the coming year.

Mrs. Ledbetter spoke of the great need of additional finances, since the pledge of the Woman's Division is \$3,000,755, but the appropriation is \$3,593,120.

Mrs. Pollard urged an interest in the Week of Prayer in the local Churches.

A most interesting report of her many and varied activities since becoming President of the Conference in May, was given by Mrs. Pollard. Especially interesting was her report on placing the student workers—Miss Betty Glasson at Lafayette and Miss Thelma Hubbard at Ruston.

Mrs. Pollard told of the two girls who are attending Scarritt, Marguerite Manning and Arline Tyler, showing most attractive pictures of them. She also read letters from Scarritt candidates—Fay Barr, Lee Joyner and Bessie Mansfield.

Mrs. Ledbetter stated that in the future Scarritt Scholarships are to be called "Study Grants."

Mrs. Pollard stated the urgency of securing further "study grants" and asked the Conference officers to be alert to tell of these needs in their local communities.

Reports of officers and discussion of their work followed:

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Secretary of Student Work, stressed the importance of both local student secretaries and District secretaries consulting and following the by-laws. She stated additional information would soon be sent to local secretaries and suggested that Conference purchase "Packets" for student work.

Upon motion of Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., it was voted that the local societies in College towns, buy their own literature.

Mrs. Pomeroy stated that Conference had voted to furnish a room at Scarritt, but no action had been taken as yet. It was decided that the Secretary of Student Work will work in cooperation with the Secretary of Supplies and both will assist in collecting funds. All money will be sent to the Conference Treasurer, marked "for supplies". This money in turn will be sent to Mrs. Fulton, marked "for furnishing room at Scarritt".

Mrs. Pomeroy emphasized the importance of electing a "Campus Secretary" where there are several Methodist Churches in a College community. She also told of a new phase of her work—helping to look after soldiers in camps. After consulting Captain Lorenzo McIntyre at Camp Polk, Mrs. Pomeroy suggested that communities take groups of soldiers into their homes for week-ends, the camp to provide transportation.

Mrs. Pomeroy has received instructions that all Local Student Secretaries are to send names of students attending school in Louisiana to Mrs. Pomeroy by August and then in turn they will be sent to the Student Secretary on the Campus. Students attending school out of the state will have their names sent to Mrs. Porter, 150 Fifth Avenue.

Mrs. E. A. Sartor, Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work, used a chart to help in clarifying her explanation of this important work.

There are four groups, but the Woman's interest will be centered about the group studying "World Friendship". This interest group will be composed of girls, and will meet monthly, using programs prepared by this meeting.

Pledge cards were displayed and an explanation of the division of funds given. 50% will go to the local organization and 50% to the Woman's Society of Christian Service at the end of each month. This will be sent to Mrs. Carver, marked "Young Women's and Girls' Work."



Mrs. Ledbetter told that the Methodist youth fund would be used in the Home field on the following projects: MacDonell School, Houma, La.; Marcy Center, Chicago; Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.; Holding Institute, Lorado, Texas; Jesse Lee Home, Seward, Alaska.

Mrs. Pollard appointed the following Committees and said that they will meet immediately following lunch:

**Finance**—Mrs. C. C. Carver, Mrs. J. H. Thatcher, Mrs. C. I. Jones.

**By-Laws**—Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, Mrs. J. J. McKeithen, Mrs. Hugh Hoff, and Mrs. C. C. Hightower.

**Deaconess**—Mrs. E. C. Gibson, Mrs. G. J. Tinsley, Mrs. Walker McDonald, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Mrs. T. D. Chapman, Mrs. Ed Conger.

**Conference Plan**—Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Mrs. David Tarver, Mrs. E. A. Sartor, Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Mrs. D. C. Metcalf.

**District Secretaries**—Mrs. J. H. Thatcher and District Secretaries.

Mrs. G. J. Tinsley reported on Miss Glasson's work at S. L. S. S. stating that she had been most enthusiastic and highly satisfactory and a great year was anticipated.

Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., discussed the "Missionary News" which has been published quarterly by this Department, at a cost of \$20.00 per quarter. The advisability of continuing it was discussed.

Upon motion of Mrs. Dameron, it was voted that the Quarterly Conference News be continued.

Mrs. Jones moved that a definite time be specified for the publication of the News. Motion carried.

Upon motion of Mrs. Davidson, it was voted that the News be issued as follows:

1. In February or March, following Jurisdictional meeting.
2. May, following Annual Conference.
3. September.
4. November, following Mid-year Executive meeting.

Mrs. Pollard asked if the Conference Officers would be willing to pay for their own meals during the Retreat.

Upon motion of Mrs. Gibson it was voted that the officers take care of their expense. The meeting adjourned.

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### Wednesday Afternoon Session

Upon reconvening, Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., presented her resignation as Editor of the Advocate page.

The Wednesday afternoon session opened with prayer by Mrs. Tarver and reports of the officers continued.



Mrs. Thatcher, Secretary of Organization, gave the following report for the third quarter: 264 Societies, 10,565 membership, 176 new members, 129 Spiritual Life groups, 116 Societies in past achieving efficiency aim. \$7,494.94 Conference collections, \$6,432 Christian Social Relations, \$1,494 World Outlook subscriptions.

Mrs. Thatcher expressed her appreciation for having had the privilege of attending the School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah with ten other Conference officers.

The body discussed the advisability of purchasing new Handbooks, to be called in the future "Manuels". Upon motion of Mrs. McDonald it was voted that all District Secretaries order "Manuels" and have them on sale at all Zone and District meetings.

The Vice-President, Mrs. McKeithen, urged that Life Memberships be stressed. She expressed the hope that plans for the "World Federation for Methodist" could soon be perfected in Conference, saying that the December programs are planned about that theme.

She stated that a Scrap book would be made on World Federation and requested anyone finding suitable material send it to her. She further suggested that local societies make posters on this subject.

Mrs. Pollard instructed Mrs. McKeithen to prepare something on the topic for the next issue of the Conference News.

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Recording Secretary, reported on the Minutes, saying 1250 copies were printed at a cost of \$327.87.

Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, told of the fine quality of work done in all study classes, but asked that all Bible Study, Mission Study and Christian Social Relations studies be reported to her.

Mrs. Dameron requested suggestions for a teacher for Pastor's school in 1942. Mrs. J. W. Mills, Mrs. W. M. Alexander and Miss Oscie Saunders were suggested.

Mrs. E. C. Gibson reported for Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, who was unable to be present. Mrs. Metcalf requested, that in order to avoid confusion, in making a study, that it be listed definitely as a Bible Study or Christian Social Relations study, not as both.

The Executive Body listened with interest while Mrs. Ledbetter read the theme for study as planned through 1945.

Mrs. C. I. Jones reported on Supplies. She said that Ministerial Supply blanks are now available so that money may be credited to Supplies. If blanks are not used, reports are to be made through local Church activities. She stated that a change has been made so that money spent by local City boards may be credited on supplies, instead of local work. Peck Hall and the former Jubilee Inn, now called "Business Girls Inn", will be included in Institutions to be sent supplies.

Mrs. David Tarver, Spiritual Life Chairman, spoke of the privilege of being a member of the Conference family and told of her plans for the remainder of the year. She expressed her thanks for the excellent cooperation received in planning the Retreat and spoke of her appreciation for the interest shown in the Book room and the large number of books sold during the Retreat.

After a brief rest period, business was resumed and reports on the Deaconess Advisory Committees followed.

Mrs. T. D. Chapman reported on the Deaconess Committee meeting in Natchitoches with Miss Chandler.

Mrs. Pollard stated the necessity for Deaconess' reporting monthly, since the money is given by women of the State and they are interested in the Deaconess' Activities.

Mrs. Walker McDonald reported on the Deaconess Advisory Committee for the Ruston District, saying it was fully attended and plans for the Deaconess were discussed and her full cooperation was assured, with plans agreed upon for the next Quarterly meeting.

Mrs. E. C. Gibson reported on the Deaconess Advisory Committee from the Monroe District. Much discussion ensued regarding the advisability of retaining a Deaconess in this area. Mrs. Gibson had prepared reports from rural areas where a worker is needed. She recommended that Miss Nuttall be assigned to the Monroe District and the Advisory Committee be empowered to assign her to various types of work in the District when needed.

Mrs. Pollard then gave in detail the background of the rural work and ended by saying Miss Nuttall was completing her fifth year in the Monroe District.

The meeting was adjourned.

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### Dinner at the Home of Mrs. Thatcher

A delightful surprise of the Executive meeting was the charmingly appointed dinner served in the home of Mrs. J. H. Thatcher, by the Houma Woman's Society of Christian Service. This gracious hospitality was greatly appreciated by the Conference officers.

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### Wednesday Night Session

Following the dinner hour, the Wednesday night session took place at Mrs. Thatcher's home, with Mrs. Pollard presiding.

Mrs. McKeithen opened the meeting with prayer, after which the minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved, after correction.

Discussion continued on the advisability of retaining a Deaconess in the Monroe district. Upon motion of Mrs. Gibson, seconded by Mrs. McKeithen, it was voted that Miss Nuttall be retained in the Monroe District.

The Secretary read a letter from Miss Ella Hooper concerning the work of the Indian at Dulac, showing the great need and the unlimited opportunities. Miss Hooper, a guest of the Executive body, explained the future of the work and the plans she has for the further development of the project. The Committee was most impressed with her indomitable courage and incurable optimism.

Mrs. Pollard read a paragraph from a letter from Rev. Roy Johns suggesting that funds might possibly be raised by presenting the work to the Leagues and the Young People's Church School classes, with an endorsement from the Conference Board of Education and Missions and the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Mrs. C. I. Jones requested permission to ask the Executive Committee to become "Founders", on the payment of five dollars, or more. A paper was passed for subscribers.

Reports of the Sessions Committee followed:

#### By-Laws Committee

Proposed changes were read by Mrs. Ledbetter and were approved for recommendation to the Conference.

1. (Under No. 9) Secretary of Literature and Publication, \$20.00 quarterly shall be appropriated for the cost of the Conference News.

2. (No. 10) This is to be taken out of the by-laws and placed in the standing rules of Conference, i. e., a half-hour of each forenoon during the annual meeting of the Conference shall be devoted to worship.

3. (No. 14) Insert the word "Deaconess" in the first sentence, i. e., There shall be a Deaconess Advisory Committee in each District, etc.

The President discussed the approval of certain expenses not mentioned in the by-laws. After discussion it was decided to trust her judgment when extras are deemed necessary.

The report of the Finance Committee read by Mrs. Jones and after discussion was adopted.

We, the Committee, recommend:

1. That to meet the request of the President and Treasurer of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, the Louisiana Conference should increase its pledge one per cent, making the total amount of the pledge \$30,300.00 and that the increase of \$300.00 be directed to a Student Grant to Scarritt.

Mrs. C. C. Carver, Chairman

Mrs. J. H. Thatcher

Mrs. C. I. Jones, Secretary

The Committee on Conference plans made the following recommendations which were discussed and adopted:

1. That the date of the Annual Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service be April 14, 15, 16 and be held at Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston, La.

2. That the Conference open on Tuesday afternoon, April 14, at 2:30 o'clock for short business session.

3. Followed by Sessions Committee as follows:

a. Missionary Education.

1. Children Work.

2. Young Women and Girls.

b. Supplies and Finance.

c. Student Work.

d. Organization and Cultivation.

1. District Secretaries.

2. Zone Leader.

e. Spiritual Life.

f. Education.

1. Literature and Publications.

2. Missionary Education and Service.

g. Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities.

h. Wesleyan Service Guild.

4. That delegates continue to be appointed to Session Committees.

5. Special Conference guests:

a. Mrs. J. D. Bragg, President of Woman's Division.

b. Dr. Mary Shannon, Jurisdictional Sec'y. Foreign Work and former Missionary to India.

6. Special features suggested:

a. Fellowship Dinner.

b. One noon-day luncheon, La. Methodist Orphanage.

c. Garden Tea.

7. In order to cooperate with the Soldiers in our State and to create interest in this work, we invite the following speakers:

a. Executive Secretary of U. S. O., Mrs. Ross Bunce.

b. Chief Morale Officer at Camp Polk, Capt. Lorenzo McIntyre to speak on "What contribution can Methodist Women make?"

c. Mr. Jim Taylor, Alexandria, "What the Methodist Church is doing in Louisiana."

8. Conference close Thursday, April 16, 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Signed:

Mrs. G. W. Dameron  
Mrs. Glenn Laskey  
Mrs. David Tarver  
Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr.  
Mrs. E. A. Sartor.

The report on the Deaconess Committee was given and the following recommended suggestions were adopted:

1. That the Deaconess may establish one definite day a week for rest and inform the Chairman of her decision.

2. As many as three rest days may be accumulated over a period of six weeks.

3. Vacation periods are to be worked out by the District Committee.

4. The Conference car shall be used only in the District where the Worker is employed, except in the promotion of Conference Work.

Signed:

Mrs. E. C. Gibson  
Mrs. G. J. Tinsley  
Mrs. Walker McDonald  
Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy  
Mrs. T. D. Chapman

This concluded the business of the evening and the Meeting was adjourned.

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#### Thursday Morning Session

The Executive Committee assembled at 8 o'clock for its closing session.

Mrs. David Tarver read the daily devotional from the Upper Room. This was followed by a prayer read from "Baillie's Dairy of Private Prayer", by Mrs. Jones.

Mrs. Pollard reminded the Committee that 1942 is election year and urged those officers who felt that they would be unable to continue in office for another term to send this information to the Research Committee.

The following members were elected to the Research Committee:

Mrs. H. V. Dunford, Alexandria District.  
Mrs. Gilman McConnell, Baton Rouge District.  
Mrs. Guy Kinnebrew, Ruston District.  
Mrs. J. W. Warren, New Orleans District.  
Mrs. T. F. Wilbanks, Lake Charles District.  
Mrs. S. M. Collins, Monroe District.  
Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, Shreveport District.

Mrs. Collins is to be the Convenor and the Committee will name the Chairman.

After some discussion, Mrs. M. L. Craig, 5417 South Johnson Street, New Orleans, was elected Editor of Louisiana Conference Woman's Society page in the Advocate.

Everyone was urged to cooperate by sending news to her.

It was announced that the Jurisdictional Society would meet in Oklahoma City, Okla., February 17, 18, 19, 1942.

Mrs. Pollard read the Minutes from an Executive Session in Shreveport concerning the completing of the Louisiana delegation to the Jurisdictional Society.

Discussion ensued as to the advisability of taking a second car.

Upon motion of Mrs. Ira Campbell, it was voted that Louisiana delegation be completed with Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, the first alternate becoming the sixth delegate.

It was moved by Mrs. Jones and motion carried, that according to request from Jurisdictional officers, that the corresponding officers to the Division speakers be sent to the Jurisdictional meeting in Oklahoma City and the second car shall be filled with Alternates in the order in which they are elected.

The Alternates were elected as follows:

Mrs. G. W. Dameron, 1st Alternate.

Mrs. E. C. Gibson, 2nd Alternate.

Mrs. J. J. McKeithen, 3rd Alternate.

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, 4th Alternate.

Mrs. Ira Campbell, 5th Alternate.

Mrs. David Tarver, 6th Alternate.

Mrs. Pollard urged the women to impress upon their respective local church the importance of the Coupon Campaign for the Memorial Mercy Home. She stated that a goal of 50,000 has been set for the Conference.

The rotation of Annual Conference was discussed, with suggestion that it rotate according to Districts, with Monroe as the probable meeting place in 1943.

Officers Training day for promotion of work throughout the State was discussed.

Upon motion of Mrs. Campbell, it was voted that Officers Training day be held the second week in January 1942, so that new officers elected to new position, would be instructed in their work.



It was suggested that the following officers be present for the Training day:

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President.

Mrs. J. H. Thatcher, Secretary of Organization.

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Secretary of Student Work.

Mrs. E. A. Sartor, Secretary of Young Women and Girls Work.

Mrs. Ed Conger, Secretary of Children Work.

Mrs. C. I. Jones, Secretary of Supplies.

Mrs. J. H. Thatcher is to serve as Chairman of this Committee and will make arrangements for travel, and for dates for Training days.

Mrs. G. W. Dameron read a letter from the Louisiana Library Commission offering their services. She displayed a printed sheet which described the services which they give.

A beautiful aerial photograph of the land to be purchased adjoining Dulac, and a blue print of the proposed settlement house were displayed.

It was voted that the minutes be approved without reading.

The meeting adjourned, with the closing prayer of World Federation, repeated in unison.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President.

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Secretary.

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## TRINITY METHODIST CONFERENCE

The Second Annual Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will not soon be forgotten by the Missionary Women of Louisiana. Despite war, rationing and difficulties, delegates and visitors, with ardor undimmed by circumstances, came in large numbers from every corner of the state. A feeling of fellowship was manifest, and a consciousness of deepened spirituality and quickened enthusiasm for the task ahead was paramount. The theme of the Conference—"For Christians, the only way, Forward"—could in reality be applied both to the programs of the Conference and to the attitude of each individual member present.

It was a privilege for Trinity Society to entertain the Conference, with its splendid representation of women. The kind expressions of appreciation for hospitality, courtesy, thoughtfulness, flowers, luncheons, dinners, teas, homes for delegates, and other courtesies are greatly appreciated. The occasion was a happy one, enjoyed alike by delegate and hostess, and shall long be remembered as a highlight of 1942.



## RESOLUTIONS

Oh! "Ye, of Little Faith"—for shame—after feeling the dynamic personality of Mrs. J. D. Bragg and Dr. Mary Shannon, we accept the challenge voiced by them—and realize that for Christians—the only way is Forward.

We should like to express in a special way our thanks and appreciation to our Conference leaders for inviting Mrs. Bragg and Dr. Shannon to be our guest speakers.

We thank our Conference guests, Conference officers, District Secretaries and Council Workers who have served us so faithfully and well.

We wish to thank all those who have contributed in making this Conference a source of fellowship and inspiration.

First, to Trinity Church, Rev. and Mrs. Guy M. Hicks, and Mrs. Glenn Laskey for their gracious hospitality.

Second, to the organist, soloists and Tech Choir who furnished such inspiring music for our services.

Third, (a) To the Committees who planned for our entertainment.

(b) To those who shared their homes so graciously.

(c) To the Ruston Daily Leader for its publicity.

Fourth, to Dr. White and his staff for the picnic lunch and opportunity to visit the Orphanage.

Fifth, to the ladies of the First Baptist Church who served the lovely luncheon on Thursday.

The President's dinner, so beautifully appointed, and Mrs. Sexton's challenging and inspiring message will long be remembered.

The lovely tea given by the Ruston Woman's Society of Christian Service at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. James for the pleasure of the Conference and guests is greatly appreciated.

We wish to acknowledge our debt of gratitude to Mrs. C. C. Carver, our beloved retiring Treasurer, for her twenty-two years of faithful service to our Conference.

"For the Facing of this Hour" and the "Living of These Days" we shoulder our "Impedimenta" with renewed vigor and faith and acknowledge that for Christians—the only way is "Forward".

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Fred Marlatt

Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick

Mrs. Saline Hoffpauir.

# THE EXECUTIVE MEETING

held in

EDUCATIONAL BUILDING, TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH  
RUSTON

Tuesday, April 14th

The Executive Committee was called to order at 10:30, Tuesday, April 14th, at the Educational Building of Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston, by the president, Mrs. J. B. Pollard.

Mrs. C. I. Jones, gave the devotional, using as her topic, the theme of the Jurisdictional meeting, "Mid the Darkness Light" reading the scripture from John, and closing the inspiration talk with a prayer for deeper consecration.

Roll was called, and all members were found present, except Mrs. Hugh Hoff and Mrs. David Tarver.

Mrs. Pollard called attention to the fact that the executive committee had not elected the Chairman of the Research Committee. Mrs. S. M. Collins was named Chairman.

Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., gracefully offered to help with the publicity during conference.

The following committees were appointed:

Minutes: Mrs. Thornton Cappell, Mrs. Charles Bush, Mrs. T. F. Wilbanks.

Resolutions: Mrs. Fred Marlatt, Mrs. Saline Hoffpauir, Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick.

Distributing and Collecting Tellers: Mrs. G. A. Whitener, Mrs. L. S. Broussard, Mrs. T. Gunter Smith, Mrs. H. E. Turner, Mrs. D. C. Harper.

Counting Tellers: Mrs. Harry Hendricks, Mrs. Curtis Taylor, Mrs. T. M. Mixon, Mrs. J. C. Ferguson, Mrs. L. E. Frazer.

Courtesies: Mrs. Wiltz Ledbetter, Mrs. W. E. Fine.

Mrs. Pollard asked the District Secretaries to sit at the head of their respective delegations, and all conference officers to occupy the front pews.

The attendance of the District Delegates to the Assembly, at Cleveland, Ohio, was discussed. Mrs. George Sexton told of plans of other conferences to defray expenses of delegates to Assembly.

Mrs. Pollard asked the probability of the Districts raising \$25.00 toward the delegates' expenses.

Mrs. Pomeroy moved, and it was seconded by Mrs. Jones, that this matter of the District paying \$25.00 toward the district delegates expenses to Assembly be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Upon motion of Mrs. Jones it was voted that the executive body elect the second delegate to Assembly. Ballots were distributed by Mrs. J. J. Davidson, and Mrs. J. Hunter Thatcher was unanimously elected.

Mrs. Pollard read from the revised guide, and from Jurisdictional recommendations, to the effect that Spiritual Life leaders should be elected rather than appointed, and that they should be members of Executive Boards.

Upon Mrs. Sexton's suggestion, it was voted that this be made a standing rule of the conference.

Mrs. Pollard discussed the proposed visit of Miss Oliver on promotional work from Scarritt, saying no expense would be involved in her visit, and suggested that an itinerary should be arranged. Mrs. Sexton spoke highly of Miss Oliver's ability, saying she is a returned missionary from Korea.

Upon motion of Mrs. Pomeroy it was voted that Miss Oliver should be asked to visit to Louisiana.

It was announced that Miss Grace Gatewood is now in charge of Scarritt promotional work in Louisiana Conference.

Mrs. Carver reported that \$210.25 had been collected for furnishing a room in Scarritt.

Mrs. Sexton moved and it was seconded by Mrs. Jones that this money be sent on to Scarritt, for furnishing room, and money needed for supplies be taken from this fund. Motion carried.

Mrs. Dameron requested that the Spiritual Life Committee report be placed on the program earlier than Thursday afternoon, if possible.

Mrs. Pollard reported that Miss Muriel Day, Executive Secretary, has just completed a visit to Louisiana schools and institutions, and that she had received a very complimentary letter concerning her visit.

Miss Day stated that funds for the entertainment of a Deaconess at Assembly were available, if the Conference could pay traveling expenses.

A request was also made for the expenses of a delegate from the Wesleyan Service Guild to attend Assembly.

Mrs. Carver reported that there was some money available. Action on this was deferred until the Wednesday night executive session.

Mrs. Laskey read a letter from B. H. Andrews, Chairman of the Commission on Town and Country Work in the Louisiana Conference, requesting that three members of the Louisiana Woman's Society of

Christian Service be elected to serve on the Commission—the said committee to meet during the Pastor's School in Shreveport.

Mrs. E. C. Gibson, Miss Ella Hooper and Mrs. Ira Campbell were duly elected, with Mrs. Mrs. G. J. Tinsley and Mrs. W. E. Fine, serving as alternates.

Mrs. Pollard urged all members of executive body, who could do so, plan to attend Pastor's School.

Mrs. Pollard discussed the raising of the Conference pledge \$1000.00, saying that it had been pledged at the Jurisdictional meeting. It is to be allocated in the following manner: \$300.00 for a Scarritt grant; \$700.00 for a scholarship or running expenses of MacDonell School.

Upon motion by Mrs. McKeithen, and second by Mrs. Pomeroy, it was voted that the increase of pledge be authorized by the executive body.

Mrs. Gibson asked for clarification of missionary funds, as outlined in the Guide.

Mrs. Sexton explained that Life Memberships, as designated gifts, may be put in the budget at first of year and may be counted on the pledge, but if Life Memberships are given later in the year this amount is over and above pledge.

Mrs. McKeithen moved, and Mrs. Tinsley seconded, that this question be referred to the finance committee for clarification. Motion carried.

Mrs. Metcalf reported on a meeting held in Baton Rouge, and attended by Mrs. Fairchild concerning migrants. She told of the great number of migrants and their needs, and suggested that Womans' Society of Christian Service join the State Council of Church Women to meet these needs.

Mrs. Jones said that money for migrants could be sent through supplies, if properly channelled and marked "for migrants". Mrs. Pollard said in reality contributions are made to migrants through gifts to Home Mission Work.

Upon motion of Mrs. Fairchild it was seconded and voted that the executive body endorse the State Federation of Church Women.

Mrs. Pomeroy discussed the advisability of purchasing "student packets," saying it was recommended that the literature be bought from the cultivation fund.

Upon motion of Mrs. Tinsley and seconded by Mrs. Pomeroy, it was voted that seven "Packets" be bought for colleges.

Upon motion of Mrs. Tinsley and seconded by Mrs. Pomeroy, it was it was necessary for her to visit college campuses.

Mrs. Carver asked an explanation of the expenditure of \$25.00 given District Secretaries. It was explained that \$25.00 was to be used for promotion and cultivation of work in the District; and expense money for one zone meeting, over and above \$25.00 was authorized, but if necessary to make a return visit to a zone, some of their \$25.00 cultivation funds could be used.

Mrs. McKeithen reported on funds collected for Mrs. Carvers' Life Patron Membership, saying that \$86.00 had been collected over and above the \$300.00 required.

Dr. Mary Shannon, distinguished conference guest, and former president of Isabelle Thoburn College of Lucknow, India, was presented to the executive committee.

The meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President  
Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Recording Sec.

### Tuesday Luncheon

A beautiful luncheon, the courtesy of the Trinity Womans' Society of Christian Service, was served to the executive body, and guests, in the Educational building of the Church.

Following the delicious meal, the body adjourned to the main auditorium for the opening session of conference.

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### Wednesday Night

Following the Wednesday evening service, the executive committee was called to order by the president, in the Educational building.

Discussion ensued on the school of missions to be held at Mt. Sequoyah, July 7-17. The President, Secretary of Missionary Education, Secretary of Literature and Publications, and Secretary of Christian Social Relations are especially asked to attend.

It was moved by Mrs. Ledbetter, and seconded by Mrs. Jones, that car expenses be paid to Mt. Sequoyah, and those members sent as recommended by Mrs. Bourne, and that conference pay the expenses. Motion carried.

Mrs. Dameron stated that a \$50.00 scholarship is offered at Scarritt for a six weeks course on Missionary education.

Discussion was resumed on the paying of expenses of a delegate from the Wesleyan Service Guild to the Assembly.

Mrs. Carver suggested that money, accumulated from the Guild's cultivation funds could, with their approval, be used for this purpose.

Mrs. Ledbetter moved and Mrs. Gibson seconded that executive committee approve action of Wesleyan Service Guild of sending delegate to Assembly, with expenses to be paid from the conference treasury.

Mrs. Pollard announced that Miss Thelma Hubbard has resigned her position as Student Secretary at Louisiana Tech.

Alternates to the Assembly were elected as follows:

President alternate, Mrs. J. J. McKeithen; Mrs. Thatchers' alternate, Mrs. G. W. Dameron.

Discussion ensued regarding the placing of Miss Shiela Nuttall for the coming year. It was requested that she be sent to the Lake Charles District.

Upon motion of Mrs. Pomeroy, and seconded by Mrs. Gibson, it was voted that Miss Nuttall be moved to the Lake Charles District in September.

Mrs. Pollard insisted that lists of presidents and officers be sent to corresponding conference officers by District Secretaries.

Mrs. Sexton discussed the Methodist World Convocation to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 6-10, saying that the conference president should attend.

Upon motion by Mrs. Pomeroy, and seconded by Mrs. Dameron, it was unanimously voted that Mrs. Pollard should be sent.

Invitations to the mid-year executive meeting were extended by Mrs. Pomeroy for Bogalusa, and Mrs. Chapman for Bunkie. It was decided, due to the acuteness of the tire situation, to accept the invitation from Bunkie. Thanks were extended Bogalusa for their invitation, and it was hoped that the meeting could be held there at a later date.

The following chairman of standing committees were appointed:

Finance: Mrs. Gilman McConnell.

Constitution and by-laws: Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter.

Status of Women: Mrs. S. J. Fairchild.

Visiting Institutions: Mrs. J. Hunter Thatcher.

Missionary Personnel: Mrs. J. B. Pollard.

Research: Mrs. S. M. Collins, Chairman; Mrs. T. M. Mixon, Mrs. W. W. Holmes, Mrs. Guy Kinnebrew, Mrs. T. F. Wilbanks, Mrs. Tom Owens, Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter.

Mrs. Ledbetter suggested that the names presented by the research committee be filed for future reference. The meeting was adjourned.

The executive committee was again called to order to consider the amount overpaid on the life patron membership.



Mrs. Ledbetter suggested that the amount necessary to give four life memberships be supplemented from the conference collection.

It was decided to leave this matter in the hands of a committee. Mrs. Sartor, Mrs. Tinsley and Mrs. Gibson were appointed to serve on the committee.

The meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President  
Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Rec. Sec.

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## MINUTES OF CONFERENCE SESSIONS TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

APRIL 14, 15, 16, 1942

### Tuesday Afternoon Session

The second annual session of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service met in Trinity Methodist Church, Tuesday, April 14th, at two o'clock, and was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. B. Pollard.

The stirring missionary hymn, "Herald of Christ", was sung, after which Mrs. Pollard greeted the Conference delegates and visitors and expressed appreciation for Mrs. Dameron's splendid work on the Conference program.

Mrs. Walker McDonald, hostess District Secretary, led in responsive reading and in prayer.

The report of the Conference Recording Secretary was given, and committee appointments were read.

Mrs. McKeithen, Conference Vice-President, very charmingly introduced the president, Mrs. Pollard, who gave a most stirring and inspirational message. She spoke of the opportunities of service throughout the world, and especially in Louisiana Conference, saying there is no need to feel discouragement, but rather there is challenge in meeting difficulties, and "For Christians the only way is Forward." (See minutes)

The Registration Committee reported that 143 delegates and 14 visitors had registered but the records were yet incomplete.

Mrs. J. J. McKeithen, gave her report, as vice-president. stressing the importance of increasing Life Memberships, and increased interest in the World Federation Movement. (See minutes.)

Mrs. C. C. Carver, presented her resignation, as conference Treasurer, then gave the treasurer's report with a brief resume of her 22 years



of faithful service. She thanked the Conference for the privilege of serving the organization, and the pages distributed copies of the treasurer report. (See minutes.)

The secretary read the report of the Certified public accountant, stating the treasurer's books were in excellent order. (See minutes.)

In an impressive manner Mrs. McKeithen expressed appreciation for Mrs. Carver's years of service, and presented her with a Life Patron membership, a gift from the Conference in tribute to her 22 years of faithful service. Mrs. Carver charmingly thanked the Conference for this tribute to her.

Mrs. Pollard presented the pastor and hostess, Rev. and Mrs. Guy Hicks.

Mrs. Glenn Laskey made announcements, and read to the group rooms assigned for committee meetings.

The meeting was adjourned for the afternoon.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Recording Sec.

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### President's Dinner

One of the outstanding events of the Trinity Methodist Conference was the beautifully appointed "President's Dinner", served in the dining room of the handsome Ruston High School.

Lavish floral arrangements of spring flowers in pastel colors decorated the tables. Seated at the speakers table were the four presidents: Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of Woman's Division; Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., president of the Jurisdiction; Mrs. J. B. Pollard, president of Louisiana Conference; Mrs. Glenn Laskey, president of Local Society. Others were Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, Dr. Mary Shannon, Rev. and Mrs. Guy Hicks, Rev. C. B. White and Mrs. Dana Dawson.

Mrs. Glenn Laskey presided at the dinner, and gave the address of welcome, to which Mrs. T. F. Wilbanks graciously responded. Distinguished guests were presented, and special guests of the occasion were the presidents of the Womans' Societies of Christian Service throughout the state.

The challenging address of the evening was given by Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., using as her subject "I Dare You!"

Mrs. Dana Dawson sang charmingly "Only a Rose" with violin accompaniment by Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy. Mrs. Dawson was assisted in

distributing lovely red roses, as she sang, by two attractive little girls, Misses Jane Hicks and Carolyn Hodge.

Delightful dinner music was furnished throughout the evening by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Nelson.

### Tuesday Night Session

The Tuesday Night Session was opened by singing of the Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory."

The scripture and prayer was given by the pastor-host, Rev. Guy Hicks. A beautiful violin solo was played by Miss Doris Haskell of Louisiana Tech faculty.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard presented Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, who in turn introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of Woman's Division.

Mrs. Bragg spoke most forcefully on the churches' opportunities for service in these days. She emphasised world-wide opportunities for service in all fields of endeavor, using as her subject, "For the Living of these Days."

At the close of the address the holy communion was administered to the Conference body and visitors.

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### Wednesday Morning Session

Following the morning organ meditation played by Mrs. S. L. White, a deeply spiritual worship service was conducted by Miss Clarence Shaffer, speaking on "The Peace that Jesus willed to Us." Mrs. Dana Dawson sang most feelingly, as the scripture John 14, "In My Father's House Are Many Mansions" by McDermid.

Mrs. Pollard called the meeting to order and explained that at the charter meeting in Alexandria, in October 1940, it was decided that 1942 should be election year.

The secretary read by-law No. 1, concerning the election of officers, and the length of term of their office.

Mrs. S. M. Collins, Chairman of Research Committee, read the reports of the committee and submitted lists of names to be considered for Conference officers.

Upon motion of Mrs. A. W. Baird it was voted that the report of the research committee be made the nominating ballot, and that nominations also be made from floor.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard was nominated for President.

Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter moved, and it was seconded, that the nominating close, and the secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the nominee.

Motion carried and the secretary did as instructed.

Mrs. Pollard responded graciously, thanking the Conference for the unanimous election in this high office.

The voting strength of the Conference body was taken, and the names of Mrs. J. J. McKeithen and Mrs. S. J. Fairchild were presented for vice-president.

Ballots were cast and collected, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

Mrs. Ed Conger, secretary of Childrens' Work, gave a challenging talk on the work with children, pleading most earnestly for their cultivation. (See minutes for report.)

The tellers reported on the ballot, which showed that Mrs. McKeithen had received a majority vote and was elected vice-president.

Balloting was taken on the name of Mrs. Glenn Laskey and Mrs. J. M. Shanahan for recording secretary, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

Mrs. E. A. Sartor, Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work, explained the set-up of the organization, and stressed the formation of interest groups for girls. (See minutes for report.)

The recommendations of the committee on Children work, and Young Women and Girls' work read by the secretary, Mrs. Lynch, and after discussion were adopted.

The names of Mrs. J. Hunter Thatcher, Mrs. Leslie McKenzie and Mrs. E. C. Gibson were presented to be voted upon for Secretary of Organization. Ballots were cast and the tellers retired to count the vote.

In a stirring manner, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Secretary of Student work, presented the work of the Students, giving all its possibilities for missions, and urged the women of the church to rise to the task.

Mrs. Pollard presented Dr. B. C. Taylor, pastor of the Alexandria Church, who has probably had more contacts with soldiers than any other pastor in Louisiana. He told of the splendid work his church is doing, and the great response he had in working with soldiers. He said in conclusion, "The soldier needs the church, and the church needs the soldier."

As a gesture of recognition, following Dr. Taylor's enthusiastic talk, Mrs. Pollard asked all wives and mothers of soldiers to stand. Mrs. Clare Chennault, wife of General Chennault who is fighting so courageously with the Chinese Air Force, was presented to the Conference.

The tellers announced that Mrs. J. Hunter Thatcher had been elected as Secretary of Organization.

Ballots were distributed and the names of Mrs. Gilman McConnell, Mrs. W. R. Simmons, Mrs. R. Martin Miller and Mrs. H. H. Wall were voted upon for Treasurer.

Recommendations of the Committee on Student Work were read by the secretary, Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, and after discussion were adopted.

Mrs. D. C. Metcalf asked permission to read a letter stating that there was to be a cut in the appropriations for the Farm Security Program, and that this would directly affect farm labor—particularly the migrant groups. Mrs. Metcalf proposed, and it was voted, that a telegram be sent to Senators Ellender and Overton asking them to use their influence to defeat the passage of this bill.

Report of work done by the Deaconesses in Educational Institutions followed.

Miss Thelma Hubbard was most enthusiastic about her work on the campus of Louisiana Tech.

Miss Mamie J. Chandler spoke of her work at the Louisiana State Normal, saying that emphasis this year had been placed on Christian living as a practical experience.

Miss Betty Glasson gave a stimulating account of her work at Southwestern Louisiana Institute.

The teller made a report of the first ballot for treasurer, announcing Mrs. McConnell, 56; Mrs. Simmons, 53; Mrs. Miller, 17; Mrs. Wall, 6. A majority was not reached; a second ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

Mrs. J. D. Bragg spoke most stirringly in her closing message to Conference, using as her subject, "To Serve the Present Age".

She said that the great responsibility of Christians in these dark days is to see that the work of the church goes forward. Almost \$8,500,000.00 was spent by the women of Methodism last year, about \$3,800,000.00 for missions and \$4,600,000.00 for local work, but in spite of that, per capita giving is too low for missions. There is a tremendous challenge, and the need of "educated" giving must be emphasized.

In closing, she urged the women to be consistent in their Christianity and to place the church and its needs uppermost in their lives.

The tellers reported a majority had not been reached in the balloting on treasurer. Mrs. McConnell, 63; Mrs. Simmons, 53; Mrs. Miller, 14; Mrs. Hunt, 2.

Upon motion of Mrs. Ledbetter it was voted that the ballot be taken on the two highest.

As a prelude to the Quiet Hour, Miss Betty Rinehart, student at Louisiana Tech, sang as a solo the Ninety-first Psalm.

Mrs. Pollard presented Dr. Mary Shannon, former missionary to Burma and India, who gave the noon-day devotional, choosing as her subject "Impedimenta." Dr. Shannon based the thought of her talk on the Roman soldiers' equipment for battle, and on Paul's statement in Galatians: "For each man shall bear his own burden."

She stated that a Christian's equipment should include: (1) The Bible; (2) An active faith; (3) Work by women's methods; (4) New sympathy for world's hurts. These requirements, she said, lay upon us—responsibility and burdens to further the Kingdom. In closing she used a quotation from Phillip Brooks—"Oh Lord, we do not ask for burdens to fit our strength, but strength to bear our burdens."

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President  
Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Recording Sec.

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## LUNCHEON AT LOUISIANA METHODIST ORPHANAGE

A drive through the tree-shaded streets of Ruston to the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage, where a delightful luncheon was served on long tables on the lawn by the host, Rev. C. B. White, was a pleasant feature of the Conference.

A large group of guests were present, and following the luncheon, they had the opportunity of visiting the Orphanage.

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## Wednesday Afternoon Session

The hymn, "From All that Dwell Below the Skies," opened the afternoon session of the Conference at 2:00 o'clock.

Miss Grace Gatewood led the afternoon devotional, closing a helpful message with prayer.

The reports of the Deaconesses were continued from the morning, with Miss Sheila Nuttall presenting her work in the Monroe District. She told of the diversified character of her work, with particular emphasis on the manner in which she organized church schools, and aided children and youths in all phases of religious, educational, and recreational activity.

Miss Lillie Hendrix, of MacDonell French Mission School, gave the highlights of the school's years of service, showing the great advancement of the work. Churches have been organized and training in Christian living given to hundreds of underprivileged children.



Miss Eva Calloway told of her work with Negro Children at Sager-Brown Home, discussing methods of training them to be good citizens. She stressed the responsibility of white citizens helping the Negroes feel that their efforts in the war are being appreciated.

The tellers reported that Mrs. Gilman McConnell had received a majority vote, and was elected treasurer.

Balloting was taken on the names of Mrs. G. W. Dameron and Mrs. Dallas Dickey for Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

Mrs. J. Hunter Thatcher adroitly presented the work of the Districts by simulating a radio broadcast of the well-known "Information-Please" program. The District secretaries were cleverly introduced, by rhyming their names, as the "Experts", then by the organ playing familiar hymns, and "audience participation", questions concerning the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service were answered.

Then by skilful questioning on the part of Mrs. Thatcher, each secretary gave the high points of their years work under the title of "We the Districts Speak", recounting activities, study-days, pledge, life memberships, student work, Christian Social relations, and rural work.

Mrs. T. D. Chapman, of the Alexandria District told of a growing interest, and increased activities in all lines. (See minutes for report.)

Mrs. S. J. Fairchild, of the Baton Rouge District, spoke of the outstanding work done in giving Life memberships, and of the overpaid pledge. (See minutes for report.)

Speaking for the Lake Charles District, Mrs. G. J. Tinsley recounted the splendid work done with the students and with soldiers. (See minutes for report.)

Mrs. E. C. Gibson spoke of the effective rural work done in the Monroe District, and of an increase in pledges and memberships, with growth in spiritual Life work. (See minutes for report.)

Mrs. C. C. Hightower reported from the New Orleans District that the pledge had been overpaid; that an increased interest had been shown in all lines of work, particularly among Baby Life Memberships. (See minutes for report.)

For the Ruston District, Mrs. Walker McDonald told of the excellent work in Christian Social Relation department; with particular emphasis upon the 42 beds furnished by women to the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage. The pledge has been overpaid, and increased interest shown in Wesleyan Service Guild. (See minutes for report.)

Mrs. Ira Campbell, from the Shreveport district, stated that there had been a steady progress in all activities, with a large sum overpaid on pledge. (See minutes for report.)

Mrs. Thatcher skillfully summed up the year's work, stating that there are 266 societies with 10,360 members. (See minutes for report.)

The tellers announced that Mrs. Dameron had received a majority vote and was elected Secretary of Missionary Education and Service.

Ballots were cast upon the names of Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, Mrs. G. F. Poole and Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy for Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activity.

While the tellers retired to count the ballots, reports of Deaconesses on urban work were heard. Mrs. Mary Freeman, of the Business Girls Inn, Shreveport, spoke of her work with the girls, and told of the great need the Inn met in the lives of young business women and the training they were receiving. (See minutes for report.)

The tellers announced that a majority vote had been cast for Mrs. Metcalf, electing her Secretary of Christian Social Relations.

Miss Julia Loving, deaconess from St. Marks, New Orleans, gave a most interesting account of the constructive work done, and expressed appreciation for supplies. She recounted several instances where children and adults have been helped to a fuller life.

Mrs. C. I. Jones, Secretary of Supplies, in an interesting manner gave an account of the excellent quality of work done at the Conference institutions, i. e., MacDonell School, terming it the "Lighthouse of the Tech Country"; St. Marks, Peck Hall, Business Girls Inn, Sagar-Brown. She also told of the money sent to furnish the room at Scarritt.

Besides supplies needed for the Conference institutions, medical supplies are requested for the Phillipines, India and Cuba. The women are asked to give the price of one coca-cola in the next six months for these greatly needed supplies.

The recommendations of the committee on supplies and Finance were read by the secretary, Mrs. Fullilove, and after discussions were adopted.

Announcements were made and the meeting closed with a prayer.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Recording Sec.

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### AL FRESCO TEA

A delightful interlude featuring a tea-hour at Toma Lodge, the lovely country home of the T. L. James', was an enjoyable event of the late afternoon, Wednesday. Several hundred guests called and enjoyed this thoughtful courtesy of the Ruston Woman's Society of Christian Service.



### Wednesday Night Session

The evening session opened with the singing of the hymn "God the Omnipotent", followed by scripture reading and prayer by Dr. D. B. Raulins.

The Louisiana Tech Choir composed of students sang beautifully two numbers, "De Profundes", by Gluck, and a Negro spiritual, "Were You There?" They were ably directed by Mr. Elbert Haskins.

Mrs. Pollard presented Miss Clara Chalmers, returned missionary from Cuba, who told of the importance of the work at Irene Toland School, and the significant part the graduates are playing in Cuban life. She also thanked the Conference for the beautiful new auditorium.

Mrs. Pollard presented the speaker of the evening, Dr. Mary Shannon, former president of Isabella Thoburn College in Lucknow, India, and missionary for 30 years. Dr. Shannon made a striking appearance attired in a handsome Indian sari. She ably discussed the subject, "New Things in Old India", enumerating the new things in India—the striving to uplift the untouchables, the lowest in the cast system; education for women; the awakened mind of the masses. She gave a resume of Methodist work, and stated in conclusion that a great future was ahead for missions.

The congregation united in singing the closing hymn, "At Length there Dawns the Glorious Day." Dismissed with prayer.

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### Thursday Morning Session

Following a thirty minute organ meditation by Mrs. S. L. White, the deeply spiritual morning worship service was led by Mrs. R. E. Smith, using as her subject, "Fellowship". At the conclusion of her talk, a quartet of four different denominations—Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian and Catholic—sang most appealingly, "Lord, I Want to be a Christian."

A beautifully sacred memorial service was conducted by Mrs. G. W. Dameron and the District Secretaries, assisted by Mrs. Clarence Shaffer, acting Spiritual Life leader, Mr. Van Evans, sang, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought", in a most impressive manner. A cross festooned with greenery and Easter lilies formed the background for those taking part in the the service, who were impressively robed in white. Appropriate scripture was quoted, and as the names of those who had passed on during the year were read, small candles were lighted from a single large taper, symbolic of the source of all light, and placed among the lovely white memorial flowers. Floor baskets, containing arrangements of pastel spring flowers and symbolic of reawakened life were on either side of the platform.

At the conclusion of the memorial service, a memorial membership was given Miss Sudie Lingle and presented by Mrs. Ira Campbell in behalf of the Shreveport District and Shreveport First Church. It was received by Mrs. Baird, president of the First Church, Shreveport, Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. Clarence Shaffer closed the service with prayer.

Mrs. Pollard resumed the business of the day, and voting was continued.

Mrs. Collins presented the names of Miss Mary Searles, Mrs. Otts Ford and Miss Mildred Corrodonna for Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild. Mrs. W. R. Simmons was nominated from the floor and votes were cast.

A report on the recommendation from the minutes were read and approved.

The tellers reported that Mrs. W. R. Simmons had received a majority of the votes cast, and was elected secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild.

Ballots were cast for student secretary, with the names of Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Mrs. Dewitt Henry, and Mrs. Virginia Morris presented.

An informative panel Discussion on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities was conducted by Mrs. D. C. Metcalf. She was assisted by Mrs. W. F. Manning who discussed "Christian Citizenship", Mrs. C. R. Smith who talked on "The Christian Home", and Mrs. Howard Carter who spoke on "Minority Groups". and on the relation of Christian Social Relations to the total program. (See minutes.)

The tellers reported that Mrs. Pomeroy had received a majority vote, and was elected Secretary of Student's Work.

Votes were next cast for Secretary of Young Women and Girls' work, with the names of Mrs. E. A. Sartor, Mrs. W. H. Brumfield and Mrs. Thomas submitted.

Mr. James Slidell was presented by Mrs. Metcalf. He is a member of the committee on the National Child Labor survey, and discussed in a well-informed manner the Child labor situation in Louisiana. He particularly stressed that more emphasis should be placed on the protection of the rural Child.

The tellers reported that a majority vote had been cast for Mrs. E. A. Sartor, and that she had been elected Secretary of Young Women and Girls' work.

The names of Mrs. Ed. Conger, Mrs. P. D. Lambert, and Mrs. R. R. Branton were presented for Secretary of Children's work. Votes were cast, and the tellers retired to count the votes while the business of the Conference continued.

Miss Mildred Carrodonna gave the report of the Wesleyan Service Guild, due to the absence of Mrs. Hoff. She stated that Louisiana ranked fourth in the South Central Jurisdiction, with 38 Guild organizations and 642 members. (See minutes for report.)

The tellers reported that Mrs. Ed Conger had received a majority vote, and was elected Secretary of Children's work.

For the office of Secretary of Supplies, the names of Mrs. C. I. Jones, Mrs. Henry Horton and Mrs. Ward Anderson were presented and voted upon.

Mrs. Dameron, Secretary of Missionary Education and Service stressed the importance of intensified study programs, with plans made long in advance. Particular emphasis was placed on the "service" part of the program, for she said without the culmination of a service project, the study itself is rendered ineffective. (See minutes for report.)

The tellers reported on the ballot which showed that Mrs. Jones had received a majority vote and was elected Secretary of Supplies.

Ballots were cast for Secretary of Literature and Publications, with the names of Mrs. J. J. Davidson and Mrs. Mary Toney submitted.

Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Secretary of Literature and Publications, cleverly compared the needs of literature for the growth of a society, to the body's requirement of vitamins for its complete development. By comparing each department to an essential vitamin, and by means of arresting posters, Mrs. Davidson ingeniously outlined the wealth of material available.

She stated that the goal for this department for the coming year is every officer a subscriber to "THE WORLD OUTLOOK" and "THE METHODIST WOMAN." Special recognition to be paid at the next Conference session to those societies achieving this goal. (See minutes for report.)

The tellers reported that a majority vote had been cast for Mrs. J. J. Davidson and she was elected Secretary of Literature and Publication.

Recommendations were read from the Woman's Division to the effect that the leader of Spiritual Life be elected. Similar action had been taken by the Executive committee in a previous session.

The names of Mrs. David Tarver, Mrs. Clarence Shaffer and Mrs. Virginia Morris were presented for the Secretary of Spiritual Life. Mrs. Morris asked permission to withdraw her name and the request was granted. Mrs. Shaffer stated that she wished to be considered associate director of this office while Mrs. Tarver was out of the state and was not to be considered as opposing her.

The nominating committee for District secretaries presented the names of the present secretaries in office. They were duly elected as follows:

Baton Rouge District.....	Mrs. S. J. Fairchild
Alexandria District.....	Mrs. T. D. Chapman
Lake Charles District.....	Mrs. G. T. Tinsley
New Orleans District.....	Mrs. C. C. Hightower
Monroe District.....	Mrs. E. C. Gibson
Ruston District.....	Mrs. Walker McDonald
Shreveport District.....	Mrs. Ira Campbell

The tellers announced that Mrs. David Tarver had received a majority vote and was elected Secretary of Spiritual Life, with Mrs. Clarence Shaffer associate secretary.

Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter conducted a deeply spiritual installation service for Conference officers. Appropriate scripture was read to each, then the service was concluded with a prayer of dedication, as the officers knelt about the altar.

Mrs. Pollard expressed her deep appreciation for the courtesies and hospitality of the Ruston women. Announcements were made concerning the noon-day luncheon.

Dr. Mary Shannon used as the subject for her second noon-day devotional "Stone and Rock." She discussed the difference between stones and rocks, saying stones are undependable, while rocks have power of stability and steadiness. Stones, she continued are symbolic of human misunderstanding, while rocks are symbolic of faith and God. She called upon the women of the church to rise above temporary and transitory conditions, and to build their faith upon a rock, so that as Christians they could stand steady and sure, like rocks, in a world of confusion.

Following a closing prayer the morning session was adjourned.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Recording Sec.

#### Thursday Afternoon Session

After a pleasant luncheon at the First Baptist Church, the Thursday afternoon session opened with the singing of the Hymn "Be Still My Soul".

The worship period was led by Mrs. D. B. Raulins, reading scripture from St. John and closing with a prayer.

An impressive pledge service was conducted by Mrs. C. C. Carver and the District Secretaries. Mrs. Pollard lighted a candle representing the church, and the district secretaries in turn lighted their candles from

the central one while making their pledges as follows: Alexandria, \$3,700.00; Baton Rouge, \$4,000.00; Lake Charles, \$3,650.00; Monroe, \$4,550.00; New Orleans, \$4,950.00; Ruston, \$4,800.00; Shreveport, \$8,350.00.

Mrs. Sexton led in prayer of dedication for the gifts of money. Mrs. Carver gave a parting word of thanks and expressed her love for the Conference.

Mrs. Clarence Shaffer read the report of the Secretary of Spiritual Life, as prepared by Mrs. David Tarver.

Recommendations of the committee on Spiritual Life were read, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

Miss Grace Gatewood, Chairman of promotional work for Scarritt, made a plea for associate memberships. Mrs. Sexton told of the need for trained Christian workers, and asked the women to interest promising young women in Scarritt, so that they might be trained as future workers.

Recommendations from committee on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities were read by the secretary, Mrs. Crawford, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

Mrs. Ledbetter told of the Leadership training school to be held at Negro Normal, in Grambling, during the week of July 13th. She urged societies to send a representative Negro woman to be trained, and to assist in paying expenses for delegates.

Recommendations from the committee on Organizations and Promotion were read by the secretary, Mrs. Walker McDonald, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

Recommendations from committee on Education were read by the secretary, Mrs. Collins Lipscomb, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

Recommendations from the committee on Wesleyan Service Guild were read, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

Report of the committee on constitution and by-laws was read by Mrs. Ledbetter, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

A letter of greeting and good wishes was read, from the Presbyterian Womans' Conference, in Annual Session in Ruston. The secretary was instructed to make a proper reply.

Upon motion of Mrs. Clarence Shaffer it was voted that the lovely memorial flowers, used in the auditorium of the church be presented to the Presbyterian Womans' Conference, now in session, as a token of friendship.

Due to the lateness of the hour, the president asked permission to dispense with the report from the Jurisdiction.



Mrs. Pollard asked Rev. and Mrs. Guy Hicks, Dr. and Mrs. D. B. Raulins, and the chairman of all local committees of the hostess society, to come to the platform while the thanks were expressed by Mrs. Fred Marlall, as she read the report of the Resolutions Committee. (See minutes.)

Dr. Mary Shannon spoke in most complimentary terms of the large number of young women who were Conference officers, who attended Conference sessions and who had taken part on the programs.

Mrs. E. C. Gibson graciously extended an invitation from the Monroe Womans' Society of Christian Service, to have the Conference meet with them in 1943. The Conference voted unanimously to accept the Monroe invitation, with thanks and appreciation.

Rev. Lawton was called to the platform, and closed the second session of the Louisiana Conference, Woman's Conference, Woman's Society of Christian Service with prayer.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President  
Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Recording Sec.

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### THE MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT

It was with a great deal of deliberation, meditation and prayer that the theme for this Conference was chosen. A number of themes were considered carefully, but almost at one time, with one accord, the committee agreed that the theme for the 1942 Conference should be "FOR CHRISTIANS, THE ONLY WAY IS FORWARD."

And as this decision was made, we were in no way minimizing the tragic world situation in which we find ourselves at this hour, nor the bewildering confusion of the peoples of every land and race, nor human suffering which at this hour seems to have reached its greatest height. But, we do know, that throughout human history, over and over again, it has been in times of darkness, persecution, calamity and evil, that the Church of God has made its greatest forward strides. This has been one of the paradoxes of the ages and it will be the paradox of 1942.

And so from this opening session of our Conference, at its very close, one thought shall predominate "FOR CHRISTIANS THE ONLY WAY IS FORWARD."

Christian leaders everywhere are thinking along this very line. Dr. Stanley Jones wrote just recently "the only way to meet the tragedy of this hour in the world is to decide to go thro' it and beyond it by planning a forward movement at the time of deepest tragedy. Christians are people who are at their best when things are at their worst. Our answer then to the defeatism of this hour is a forward movement all along the line."



Our Christian brothers across the sea are thinking in the same terms for the president of the British Methodist Conference has, just this past month, sent out this astounding message—"We British Methodists are convinced that the time has come for a new forward movement and we have planned it with three objectives: the intensification of the spiritual in our personal lives, the application of principles to our national life, and the establishment of a world order based on the foundations of the Christian ethic and spirit." Then, he adds "the response has already exceeded expectations. There are signs of an awakening in cities and towns and villages. Quietly, but effectively, the Methodist Church is becoming the Church Militant in order that it may become the Church Triumphant." A great forward movement in British Methodism?—Certainly this is a paradox of 1942.

Even in the latest reports that have come to us from our war torn Mission fields, there is no note of pessimism or defeatism.

We know this past year has been a tragic one for Missions. We know that our missionaries have been withdrawn from Japan, Korea and occupied China. We know that Singapore and Java have fallen—that the Malay Peninsula and the Philippine Islands are in Japanese hands.

And yet the Board of Missions reports that everyone of our missionaries is physically safe.

Every returned missionary that we heard at the Jurisdictional Meeting had the same message—"Christianity will live in Japan," "Christianity will not die in Korea," "Christianity is there to stay in China."

Bishop Lee, just as he and other missionaries left Singapore, cabled the Board of Missions and said, "adjustments have been made for emergencies. Missionary responsibility has been delegated to nationals." They all tell us that Christianity has been so deeply rooted that a national leadership has been developed that is fully capable of carrying on. Who knows but that Christianity will spread in 1942 as it did in the first century under the persecution of Nero.

At the very moment that missionaries were being withdrawn from Japan, Christianity was taking its most forward step and the Christian Church of Japan was being founded. Dr. Diffendorfer says "Christianity did not die in Japan on December 7th—tho' the Christian Church in Japan today is a minority group it still lives and serves suffering men and women and children.

And we must remember that in most of the world, the missionary program goes on undisturbed. Over three-fourths of the Methodist Mission fields around the world are still untouched by actual warfare. Methodist missionaries are going about their regular work without interference today in India, in the Belgian Congo, in Rhodesia, in the Union of South Africa, in Angola, in Mexico and Liberia.

Bishop Holt just returning from South America says, "This is the Church's greatest hour in Latin America." We know that the two Americas are growing together by common destiny and a unique opportunity for Christian work presents itself there at this time.

Those in authority tell us, that as work is closed in war areas, that missionary money and man power will be concentrated in Latin America.

I have been most interested in a report from one of our young missionaries who has just returned from Malaya. He had not wanted to leave but was ordered out by his bishop. At the Board of Missions, they said, he radiated confidence that all things would work together for good. He was heard to say, only a few weeks ago—"there is no blackout of the Church in Malaya. Methodism will emerge from this trial stronger than ever before. Some of the best examples of christian living I have ever witnessed have been seen in our Churches there. They will never allow the Light of the World to be blacked out."

Another paradox of 1942 is the growing hunger for the Bible all around the world. The American Bible Society reports that appeals for Bibles are coming from all over the world—must faster than they can supply the demand. One of the most appealing of all the calls for Bibles was from the Finnish Society, for they are supplying the Russian prisoners of war, with the Book. These are the men who have been forbidden to read the Bible in their own country, and now for the first time, thousands of them are receiving it in their internment camps.

With such signs of promise from other lands, can we, even in this dark hour, take a defeatist's attitude? Bishop Arthur Moore has said—"To retreat in such an hour as this, would be a betrayal of all those heroic men and sacrificial women who have gone on ahead."

So, it is well, that we look to our own ways and say "FOR CHRISTIANS, THE ONLY WAY IS FORWARD," In the work of this Conference.

Perhaps the greatest challenge that comes to us just now is our work with youth. It is now our privilege to work with the girls and young women of our Churches, those who formerly have had no contacts with the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The Unified Plan for the missionary education of youth has just recently been launched and now is the time for us to train our girls and young women for future leadership in woman's work. "Forward in Youth Work" should be one of the goals for this year.

We are also pioneering in Student Work. The new set up calls for missionary women to be on the alert to meet the needs of our present day college students, to capture them for the Church and to instruct them and interest them in this great world program of Christian Missions. Just re-

cently I read this amazing headline in one of our large city newspapers—"Religion is making a comeback on the college campus." Is the Church ready to meet this challenge? We, as Christian women, dare not miss the opportunity that is ours just now. Upon the student secretary in each Woman's Society now rests a new obligation—that of assuming some spiritual responsibility for our young people engaged in defense work. She who has been privileged to work with our college students must now also work with those so suddenly uprooted from the homes and torn from their hopes and aspirations and plunged into a world of war and strife. Surely every Society in this Conference will want to have a part in helping our boys in uniform to maintain their morale and their faith in a great God and to say to them, we will do all in our power to lead to a reconstruction of our world based on the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

It was with great courage and faith that the executive committee of this Conference pledged to the Woman's Division this year, a one thousand dollar increase in our giving. As we discussed this all important matter we realized that all of us would be called upon again and again for money for war time activities and relief work, all of which are worth while and necessary for the alleviation of suffering, but we also realized the importance of our continued loyal support of the Church and its program of Christian Missions. These are our sacred responsibilities. Our many institutions and our missionaries on the fields of service must not suffer. It calls for genuine sacrificial service and giving such as we have never known before. Tell your women that the thousand dollars increase will be allocated to a study grant at Scarritt College for one of our own Louisiana daughters who will prepare herself for Christian service and to MacDonell School who is so keenly feeling at this time the advanced cost of living. If each Society will take its proportionate part in this increased pledge, it will not work a hardship on any of us. And, as we think of missionary women of other lands carrying on their work under such difficult situations, we say again, "for us the only way is forward."

In closing let me say, there can be no real forward movement in our Conference in a year like this, without a renewed consecration and a complete dedication to the task.

When men are perishing on battlefields, when women and children are starving, when property is being bombed and destroyed, when our democracy is being threatened, this is the time now when our faith must stand forth and we proclaim it to the world.

The telephone companies have been advertising "Our business is not as usual." And we know that this is true of telephone companies in war times. But we know also that it is profoundly true of the Church of God and of this Conference. If we are to keep faith with a suffering world there will be much more business than usual this year.

We heard recently of an incident that took place in one of the worst air raids experienced by the city of London. Those who were watching on saw the falling bombs and the spreading fires and suddenly saw the great frame of St. Paul's Cathedral burst forth with light. It looked like a massive flaming torch. At first it was feared that St. Paul's was on fire—but that was not so! A large bomb in bursting jarred the central electric light switch and had thrown on hundreds of lights all over the vast building. At the darkest hour, with destruction and human suffering all about—the whole church blazed forth with light!

So in this time of the world's greatest need, and the world's darkest hour, the individual Christian and the Church, made up of individual Christians, must send forth the light of the gospel message of love and peace and good-will.

Let us remember that Jesus, not only said "I am the light of the World," but He also said "Ye are the light of the world."

This is our greatest chance and opportunity.

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## REPORT OF CONFERENCE VICE-PRESIDENT

The Vice President of the Louisiana Conference of Woman's Society of Christian Service is charged with three specific duties. **First**, to actively aid in advancing the work of the Conference. **Second**, to promote the program of Special Memberships and **Third**, to promote the program of World Federation of Methodist Women. These have been given first claim on my time and best efforts.

Toward advancing the Conference work, I have attended the following: The Executive Meeting and Spiritual Life Retreat at McDonell Mission School, The School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah, The Pastor's School at Centenary College, the meetings of the Monroe District Deaconess Advisory Committee Zone meetings both in my own zone and in the Alexandria District, Monroe District meeting and finally the Jurisdictional Meeting in Oklahoma City.

Toward promoting Special Membership I have sent out letters quarterly attempting to increase interest in this line of giving. I have written an article on Special Memberships for the Conference News and have sent two articles for publication to the New Orleans Advocate. I have been responsible for the collection of the money for the Life Patron Memberships given at this conference to Mrs. Carver.

Toward advancing the program of World Federation, which was a new duty and a new program for our conference, I have sent out two letters to Vice Presidents attempting to acquaint them with this new

movement and to create interest in it. I have written one article for the Conference News and another for the New Orleans Advocate promoting it.

Locally I have, as have all of you, given of my time in my own Society to the best of my ability and have gone to neighboring towns to give reports of various meetings attended.

The year 1941-1942 has been a year of rare opportunities for me to grow in the knowledge of Kingdom work as carried on by the women of The Methodist Church. For these opportunities I am truly grateful. I have received far more from the year's work than I could possibly have put into it.

May God bless you in every effort you make, individually and as a society, to further His work, remembering all things are possible through Him.

Respectfully submitted, .

MRS. J. J. McKEITHEN,  
Conference Vice-President'

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## INFORMATION

### WHAT YOU NEED—WHERE TO GET IT

1. On Special Memberships—
  - (a) "Revised Guide" Page 35.
  - (b) "Methodist Woman" (October 1941 issue).
2. On World Federation of Methodist Women—
  - (a) All back issues of Methodist Woman (March and November 1940) and World Outlook (December 1941). Especially good.
  - (b) Report on Standing Committee on World Federation of Methodist Women in the "First Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service."

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## DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATION AND PROMOTION

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### REPORT OF CONFERENCE SECRETARY

Paul's expression "For we are labourers together with God" fitly describes the spirit of cooperation in which the women of the Louisiana Conference have worked together in the first full year of the W. S. C. S.



Encouraging reports came in from most all Societies and we feel 1942 will be a year of greater efficiency now that we have a better understanding of the new phases of our work.

Too much stress and emphasis cannot be placed upon the part District Secretaries and Zone leaders play in the Organization and Promotion set-up. Besides promoting finances which is no small part of their work, they help to promote the unfinished task of Organization of which you will hear a great deal this year. This Organization task means a W. S. C. S. in every church within our Conference. Therefore, a 100% Organization is one of the goals for our department this year. The District Secretaries and Zone leaders also help to advance every department of work by using every means at hand, such as appearing as guest speakers, letter writing, giving advice and counsel, and presenting the different departments of work on District and Zone programs. Reports are required of them pertaining to all the work done in the local Societies. Therefore they must be thoroughly acquainted with every phase of the work done by all departments.

I should now like to call your attention to the poster, the "Big Chain". Our Conference pledge was \$33,000.00 and we paid \$35,888.97, No chain is stronger than its weakest link. Each of the seven Districts is represented by the large links, the small links represent the individual Societies all held together by the Methodist Church, for together we stand, divided we fall. If only one Society is a weak link in our chain and fails to do its part, fails to pay its pledge, fails to report, it weakens the entire chain of Societies throughout the Conference, Jurisdiction, and Division. It is very difficult to know where we stand unless every Society reports. Let us set a new high standard for 1942 with every Society in the Conference reporting every quarter.

It was my happy privilege again last year to have the opportunity to attend the Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah with several District Secretaries and other Conference officers, eleven in all.

It is gratifying and encouraging to know a goodly number of our women attended the School for Christian Workers in Shreveport last June and that an uplifting Spiritual Life Retreat was held in October at the MacDonell School in Houma with Mrs. W. M. Alexander as our inspirational guest speaker.

Study Leaders Institutes and Officers Training Days were held in each District with a Team or Corp of Conference officers giving the information and a great deal of inspiration.

Facts and figures are usually dull, lifeless, and uninteresting, but when they are used to measure the sacrifices and labors of Christian women they seem to take on new life and meaning.



Under directed funds our Conference supported four Missionaries, four Bible Women, four Foreign Scholarships, four Budget Specials, six Deaconesses, three of whom are Student counselors, one Scarritt, and thirty-three Houma Scholarships.

Our number of Societies and Memberships decreased somewhat owing to the fact that some Charter Societies and members dropped out somewhere along the way. It is our task this year to go out as the Master said, "In the highways and byways" and find those women. The W. S. needs every church woman and every church woman needs the W. S. C. S. We have 262 Societies with 10,360 members.

We have had a substantial increase in the number of Societies observing the Week of Prayer, Spiritual Life Groups, Mission Bible and C. S. R. studies, Life members, Supply work, and the number achieving the Efficiency Aims.

While the new phases of our work such as Student Work and Young Women and Girls' Work is better understood today than it was a year ago, we feel that in this work we shall go forward as a mountaineer once said, "You can't go back to where you ain't never been."

As the dark clouds of war are hanging heavily over us, may we as a band of Christian women go into our quiet hour each day and there let God speak to us thru our best thoughts, our clearest spiritual vision, our finest conscience.

The lure of high ideals, the demands of friendship, the suggestions of good books, the calls to service every noble impulse are all the approach of God to us. Jesus said if any man would follow me—let him deny himself and take up his cross daily. Each person in the living of these days is being tried and tested. As Mrs. Sexton said at the Jurisdiction, "May we let our candles burn, making holes in the darkness round about."

As in Emerson's parable of the mountain and the squirrel, we should not become discouraged by some other person's excellence, but we should say as the squirrel did to the mountain, "If I cannot carry forests on my back, neither can you crack a nut."

Every work for Jesus will be blest,  
But He asks from every one his best.  
Our talents may be few  
They may be small,  
But unto Him is due our best, our all.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. H. THATCHER,  
Conference Secretary.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1941

DISTRICTS

DISTRICTS	B. J. A.																									
	Number of Societies																									
	Number of Members																									
	No. Baby, Junior, Adult, Life Memberships																									
	No. Spiritual Life Groups																									
	No. Societies Observing Week of Prayer																									
	No. Societies Achieving All Efficiency Aims																									
	No. Wesleyan Service Guilds																									
	No. W. S. G. Members																									
	No. Subscription to World Outlook																									
	No. Subscription to The Methodist Woman																									
	No. Mission Study Classes																									
	Members in Classes																									
	Special Jurisdiction Recognition																									
	No. Bible Study Classes																									
	Members in Classes																									
	No. C. S. R. Committees																									
	No. C. S. R. Study Classes																									
	Members in Classes																									
	No. Secretaries Student Work																									
	No. Secretaries Young Women and Girls' Work																									
	No. Secretaries Childrens' Work Reporting																									
	Value of New Supplies and Cash																									
	Amt. Spent for C. S. R. and Loc. Church Activities																									
Alexandria	37	956	9	2	9	15	24	5	3	34	73	73	28	415	7	11	185	14	3	40	5	7	5	\$372.57	\$3,402.78	
Baton Rouge	35	1,447	29	1	14	15	32	3	4	45	242	169	25	519	14	22	495	15	4	37	12	12	8		565.40	3,558.68
Lake Charles	40	1,358	7	1	0	15	25	7	9	75	144	148	30	546	4	8	131	17	1	30	4	9	10		376.56	4,352.23
Monroe	35	1,496	7	0	10	33	29	6	5	119	224	226	45	1187	4	28	822	25	8	336	16	11	15		558.90	4,469.20
New Orleans	29	1,332	24	0	9	12	23	2	4	99	136	117	29	556	2	6	111	16	1	20	5	9	7		1236.08	3,288.84
Ruston	49	1,771	26	0	5	27	32	5	7	197	162	169	42	785	4	19	446	21	5	174	10	9	19		611.50	3,861.74
Shreveport	37	2,000	15	0	14	26	31	13	5	73	396	309	53	1042	20	17	243	26	2	37	13	15	19		1524.16	6,157.74
Total	262	10,360	117	4	61	143	196	39	37	642	1,377	1,211	252	5050	57	111	2433	134	24	674	65	72	83		5245.17	29,091.21

Number of Societies

Number of Members

No. Baby, Junior,  
Adult, Life  
Memberships

No. Spiritual  
Life Groups

No. Societies Observing  
Week of Prayer

No. Societies Achieving All  
Efficiency Aims

No. Wesleyan Service Guilds

No. W. S. G. Members

No. Subscription to  
World Outlook

No. Subscription to  
The Methodist Woman

No. Mission Study Classes

Members in Classes

Special Jurisdiction Recognition

No. Bible Study Classes

Members in Classes

No. C. S. R. Committees

No. C. S. R. Study Classes

Members in Classes

No. Secretaries Student Work

No. Secretaries Young Women  
and Girls' Work

No. Secretaries Childrens'  
Work Reporting

Value of New Supplies  
and Cash

Amt. Spent for C. S. R. and  
Loc. Church Activities

# FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1941

DISTRICTS	Membership Offerings	Wesleyan Service Guild	Young Women and Children	Bible Woman	Week of Prayer	Houma Day	Houma Scholarship	Lenlen Offering	Life Memberships and Life Patron	Scarritt Maintenance	Foreign Scholarships	Charter Memberships	Zone and District Offerings	Cultivation Fund	Total—All Sources
Alexandria	\$ 2,271.34	\$ 51.35	\$ 2.95	\$	\$ 208.13	\$15.58	\$ 676.65	\$ 8.05	\$ 317.00	\$ 23.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 43.75	\$ 40.07	\$ 42.05	\$ 3,739.92
Baton Rouge	2,510.93	78.05	4.50		433.65		725.00	5.76	551.00	9.00		23.31	89.67	55.70	4,486.57
Lake Charles	1,988.72	335.28	13.00		289.12		707.37	25.63	134.30	6.00	35.00	117.65	29.67	70.70	3,742.54
Monroe	3,151.58	296.35	9.69		318.94		274.50	14.02	318.00	17.00	80.00	62.83	67.06	85.75	4,695.72
New Orleans	2,647.84	183.41	69.84	220.00	387.85		966.50	13.95	399.50	8.00	150.00	16.00	22.33	34.90	5,120.12
Ruston	3,692.20	341.47	20.00		346.01		225.00	8.16	294.45	23.00		174.63	41.45	94.25	5,260.62
Shreveport	5,491.99	98.23	15.81	240.00	423.68		1,231.60	12.20	546.26	329.25	150.00	127.54	42.00	135.02	8,843.58
Total	\$21,754.60	\$1,384.14	\$ 135.79	\$460.00	\$2,407.38	\$15.58	\$4,806.62	\$87.77	\$2,550.51	\$415.25	\$455.00	\$565.71	\$332.25	\$518.37	\$35,888.97

## REPORT OF ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT SECRETARY

Our District Meeting was held in Bunkie, May 9th, 1941, with a splendid attendance. In September, Study Committee Day was held in Alexandria. In January, Officers Training Day was held at Winnfield. The Speakers for these two training days were Conference officers.

Zone Leaders have met to plan programs for the quarterly meetings. Zone Meetings have been held throughout the District with interesting and instructive programs.

There has been an increase in some important phases of our work. Our Pledge was overpaid. We have more Spiritual Life Groups, more societies reporting Christian Social Relation activities. The Efficiency Aims have been attained by more societies the past year.

This has been a very busy year for the District Secretary studying reports, records and getting acquainted in the District. It has been a most happy privilege to work with the loyal woman of our District. I do appreciate so much the cooperation of every one.

Too much credit cannot be given to Mrs. H. V. Dunford, former District Secretary, for her splendid leadership and cooperation, also the Zone Leaders have helped in such a fine way—Mrs. W. H. Parker, Jr., Mrs. J. Q. Elliott, Mrs. H. E. Mayes, Mrs. C. M. Pulliam and Mrs. L. A. Blevins, District Spiritual Life Leader.

My prayer is that we will continue on the upward trend and move forward as Christian women.

MRS. T. D. CHAPMAN.

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## SPECIAL ITEM—BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

The work of the District has progressed during 1941. The District pledge was overpaid \$584.57. Forty-three life members were given. Many societies helped with the work among the migrants in the strawberry area.

The District meeting held in Hammond in May was the largest ever. Annual retreat at Bluff Creek led by Mrs. H. A. Sheppard proved most helpful to a number of our women.

May we carry through to a finish the tasks we accept for 1942, and may we ever have the comfort of feeling we are working with Him to build a better world.

MRS. S. J. FAIRCHILD.

## LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

In order to reach a larger number of persons it was decided to have our District meeting in two sections. The Rayne Society, of Rayne,

was hostess to the meeting on May 16 of the societies in the Eastern half of the District, and Simpson Society, of the Simpson Memorial Church of Lake Charles, was hostess to the societies of the Western half of the District on the following day. Both meetings were largely attended. Conference officers were guests and brought fine inspirational and informational messages concerning various phases of our work. Mrs. J. B. Pollard, Conference President; Mrs. J. H. Thatcher, Conference Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. C. C. Carver, Conference Treasurer; Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., Conference Superintendent of Literature and Publications; Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Conference Superintendent of Student Work made excellent talks and answered questions to clarify problems that societies faced. Another special feature of the days was an address by Miss Katie Cooper, returned missionary from Korea.

All plans were made for our District Study Leaders Day which was to have been held in Crowley, but it had to be called off on account of the army maneuvers.

We are very proud of a brand new church that has been organized in North Lafayette—The Davidson Memorial. Already, they have an active W. S. C. S. carrying on almost every phase of the work. Our Deaconess at S. L. I., Miss Betty Glasson, is doing a fine job.

We were very happy that our increased pledge for the District was overpaid.

Reports coming in for the first quarter indicate that in spite of the tire situation and the inability to travel, the members of the 38 local societies of the Lake Charles District will not retire but will put all of their energy and zeal into the work, realizing that as never before we must carry on, giving of the best for Him whose way to peace and happiness is the only way.

MRS. G. J. TINSLEY

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## MONROE DISTRICT

We give thanks unto Him for the splendid work done by the societies and the zone leaders who have made this possible in the past. We pray for its increase under the leadership of true-hearted, undaunted women in the face of conditions that call for more than ever before.

Twelve zone meetings were held during the year with four zones having every society represented at one or more zone meetings. At the District Meeting, 88% of the societies were represented, but both Study Leaders' Day and Officers' Training were poorly attended because of war maneuvers in September or sleet in January.

The year closed with advances in the number of memberships, spiritual life groups, societies observing Week of Prayer, societies achieving

the efficiency aims, life members, and money sent Conference Treasurer for Missions.

Miss Shiela Nuttall, deaconess at Transylvania, has done a fine piece of work there where she left a thriving society of Christian Service to pioneer again in an area north of Holly Ridge.

MRS. E. C. GIBSON,  
District Secretary

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## NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

The New Orleans District held its annual meeting in Houma, the morning program being given in Houma First Church, the lunch was eaten and the afternoon session was held under the trees at MacDonell School. It is always an inspiration to go to our Wesley House in Houma, and there was a splendid attendance at this meeting. There were two conference officers, representatives from our other Louisiana institutions, St. Marks and Sager-Brown, and several missionaries, to make the program of real value to us.

Study Leaders' Day was unavoidably canceled, but there have been good zone meetings and it has been with keen satisfaction to the New Orleans District Secretary that she has seen the hearty acceptance of the societies to a larger and changed program of work.

MRS. C. C. HIGHTOWER

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## RUSTON DISTRICT

1941 achievements after Ruston District are very gratifying. The pledge to missions, \$4,600, the largest ever, was overpaid \$633. This, we feel is largely due to a better informed group. Thanks to our fine officers for their efforts in bringing to us Study Leaders Meeting, with suggestions and helps in the three departments of study, also Leadership Training Day with helps in special lines of our organization.

Although Study Leaders Meeting came to our District when Army maneuvers was at its height and Leadership Training Day fell on one of the coldest days experienced in this section making it impossible for many to attend, we still feel the effort was worthwhile. The District Secretary with the help of the five splendid zone leaders have tried to carry this information to those who could not attend.

Wesleyan Service Guilds are doing a fine work. In this the first full year of its organization we have seven active groups. Their gifts to Missions as well as their projects in Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities are outstanding. Many of them carrying on a full Study



program just as the W. S. C. S. We are proud to note one new one reported this quarter at Bernice.

The entire District is feeling the effect of the fine work being done by our Student Worker. Miss Thelma Hubbard, at Ruston, whose work is with the students on the campus and various groups attending Trinity Church. Her days are filled with the Youth Fellowship Movement as planned by our church. The purpose of which is to hold the interest of youth to the church and to develop leadership. She reports many personal and group contacts.

The District has a project in Christian Social Relations of which we are very proud, that of furnishing new beds for the Orphanage. Up to the present time 42 beds have been furnished by the women of the district alone. The price of the beds complete being \$25.00 each.

Gains in many lines of work over previous years may be seen by the statistical report, such as the number of Spiritual Life Groups. The number of subscriptions to magazines, the number achieving the efficiency aims, and the number observing the week of Prayer. Realizing however, that past achievements will not suffice for today, we urge our women to redouble their efforts Spiritually, Materially and Physically for the facing of the days and hours ahead.

MRS. WALKER McDONALD

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## SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

A new year, new organization and new officers during 1941, but the women seemed more anxious than ever before to learn the new plans and forms of reporting, etc. So during this year's time the newness and sometime bewilderment has given away to a smoothly running efficient number of societies which accomplished a wonderful amount of work for the Kingdom in 1941. First things seem to have been put first for 31 societies observing Week of Prayer, 26 Spiritual Life Groups are active and 13 Societies achieved the Efficiency Aim.

There was continued interest in observing life memberships upon women who had given unstintedly of their time and talents to the work with 14 adult and 15 baby life memberships being given during 1941.

The District Pledge to Conference of \$8,000.00 was overpaid \$1,066.61. A great deal of work was done in the local societies with \$6,157.74 being spent on local projects.

As we look backward then forward to another year and to carrying

on a great work our assurance must come from a "Power not our own and whose testimonies are very sure."

"O God whose law from age to age,  
No chance or charge can know,  
Whose love for evermore abides,  
While eons come and go;  
From all the strife of earthly life,  
To Thine embrace we flee,  
And 'Mid our crowding doubts and fears,  
Would put our trust in Thee."

MRS. IRA CAMPBELL

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## REPORT OF PLANNING COMMITTEE — ORGANIZATION AND PROMOTION

We recommend:

The report of all officers of local societies be made out at the last Executive Committee meeting of the quarter, and that the report of Corresponding Secretaries be sent to the District Secretary, the other reports to go to the corresponding Conference officer by the first day of the month. District Secretaries are to report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the tenth. Conference officers will report to the corresponding Jurisdictional and Divisional officers by the fifteenth.

As all Woman's Societies are connectional organizations we recommend at each monthly program meeting the use of the program material prepared by the Woman's Division of Christian Service, namely, "For The Facing of This Hour", price 20c; Worship Service, price 10c; set of pictures, price 50c. These are obtained from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio; also related articles in *The Methodist Woman* and *The World Outlook*.

That in order to acquaint the women with the workers, and the fields and types of work, missionaries and deaconesses be invited to appear on local zone, district and conference programs whenever and wherever possible.

That all societies make an earnest attempt to attain the standards of the Efficiency Aims, checking monthly on the progress made.

That in the promotion of finances special attention be directed to securing Life memberships, Honorary junior memberships, Honorary baby memberships and Memorial memberships.

That a District meeting following the annual conference, a study leaders institute in September, an officers Training Day the first week in December be held in each district. Owing to the tire and automobile situation created by the war, we recommend that Zone meetings be left

to the discretion of Zone leaders and District Secretaries.

Respectfully Submitted,

MRS. WALKER McDONALD,  
Secretary

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## CULTIVATION AND PROMOTION FOR FURTHERING WORLD FEDERATION

Realizing the urgency of strengthening a Christian bond of union between the nations of the world, we recommend:

1. That the five major points of emphasis as outlined by the standing committee of the Division on World Federation be accepted and promoted by the Louisiana Conference. Namely:

- a. The wide use of the prayer card.
- b. A federation poster from each local society.
- c. Fine presentation of the December program to be found in **For The Facing of This Hour**.
- d. Federation Fuel, items of information and interest regarding World Federation, presented widely at meetings.
- e. A world Federation scrap book prepared by each Conference Vice-President to display and use as talking points at Conference, District and Zone meetings.

2. That each district secretary carry a message regarding the federation work in her letters in the local societies, emphasizing especially the first three points.

3. That the District Secretaries and Zone Leaders be responsible for presenting "federation fuel" in their respective areas.

4. That posters be displayed at local Zone and District meeting and a selection made to send to Conference and finally to Jurisdictional meetings.

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## SPECIAL MEMBERSHIPS

1. That since heavier responsibility has been placed on the Vice-Presidents of local societies and since it is vitally important that District Secretaries have complete mailing lists of these officers, we recommend that presidents of all societies see that the name of their vice-president be sent to the District Secretary along with the other officers.

2. That in order to keep in touch with what work is being done to further the program of both World Federation of Methodist women and Special Memberships that quarterly reports be mailed to the Conference Vice-President from Local Vice-Presidents.

3. That we list the following specific duties of the vice-president of the local societies in the Louisiana Conference since other duties than these listed in the revised guide are required in this conference.

- a. Perform all duties of the President in her absence.
- b. Serve as chairman of the program committee.
- c. Be responsible for the securing of special memberships.

d. Actively advance the program of World Federation of Methodist Women, emphasizing the five major points proposed by the standing committee on World Federation of Methodist Women.

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### EFFICIENCY AIMS FOR 1942

1. Fifty per cent of members present at not less than ten regular meetings based on the prescribed program material of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

2. A net increase in membership based on figures of annual report of 1941.

3. Spiritual Life Cultivation in the Society directed by the Spiritual Life Chairman.

4. Committee on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities promoting a specific activity each quarter growing out of study

5. Three approved study courses or an increase of one over the previous year.

6. Net increase in subscriptions to **The Methodist Woman** and **World Outlook**, and the magazines featured at each monthly meeting.

7. Observance of the Week of Prayer and self denial as planned by the Woman's Division.

8. Increase in offerings sent to Conference Treasurer.

9. Girls' Interest Group within the Commission on World Friendship of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, using the program prepared for the group by the Woman's Division.

10. Missionary Education of Children through cooperation with the Church School.

# DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLIES

## REPORT OF SECRETARY OF SUPPLIES—MRS. C. I. JONES

Supply Gifts are second mile love gifts. May they keep the lights burning in our Methodist Institutions.

### SUPPLIES TO HOME MISSION INSTITUTIONS

	Value of Gifts
St. Mark's Community Center.....	\$1,483.86
MacDonell French Mission School and Wesley House-Houma.....	2,048.17
Business Girl's Inn.....	730.62
Scarritt College .....	106.00
Sagar Brown Home.....	10.40
Total for Institutional Supplies.....	\$4,379.05
Foreign Supplies—China, India, Africa.....	419.92
Ministerial Supplies .....	441.31
Total.....	\$5,240.28

### DIRECTION FOR SUPPLIES 1942

#### Houma

Alexandria—2nd, 4th quarters.  
 Baton Rouge—1st, 3rd, 4th.  
 Lake Charles—1st, 3rd.  
 Monroe—1st, 2nd, 3rd.  
 New Orleans—2nd, 4th.  
 Ruston—1st, 3rd, 4th.  
 Shreveport—1st, 2nd, 4th.

#### St. Mark's

Alexandria—1st, 3rd.  
 Baton Rouge—2nd.  
 Lake Charles—2nd, 4th.  
 Monroe—4th.  
 New Orleans—1st, 3rd.  
 Ruston—2nd.  
 Shreveport—3rd.

## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES

1. That our goal for the year 1942 be: That each society have a direct personal share in the missionary work of the State, by contributing cash supplies for St. Mark's Community Center in New Orleans, for MacDonell French Mission school and Wesley House in Houma, Business Girl's Inn at Shreveport, Sagar-Brown Home in Baldwin, and Peck Hall in New Orleans.
2. That Societies continue to send boxes of wearing apparel or food to these institutions, but valuation will be placed only upon new goods plus postage or express.
3. That Societies use "Shipment of Goods" blanks when sending supplies to Institutions or ministers.
4. That those societies wishing to send ministerial supplies notify the Conference Secretary of Supplies..
5. That all Societies follow the instructions sent quarterly by the Conference Supply Secretary.
6. That each local Society be asked to give an amount equal to five cents per capita for Foreign Medical Supplies to be used in the Phillipines, India and China.
7. That all cash offerings for supplies be sent to the Conference Treasurer.
8. That each local Secretary of Supplies feel a greater responsibility in sending accurate reports to Conference Secretary of Supplies on time, quarterly.

MRS. C. I. JONES, Chairman  
MRS. M. J. FULLILOVE

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## REPORT OF TREASURER

As perhaps you all know, I am giving up the office of Treasurer. It is with real regret that I do so, for I shall certainly miss the joy and privilege that has been mine. I do thank you each one for this privilege. I have made such dear friends, many of whom I would have never known otherwise. The contacts I have had with the workers in God's kingdom has meant much to me.

I thank you for your cooperation and love.

Now I am going to give you a few highlights of the work of the past 22 years.

As you know, I was elected to office in 1920. Mrs. C. F. Niebergall was president; Mrs. A. P. Holt, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Geo.



Brown, recording secretary; Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, Mission study; etc. Officers come and officers go but I go on, not forever as Tennyson's brook, but for twenty-two years. In 1920 we did not have four thousand members, our goal for year was \$25,000.00, which we did not reach until 1923. In that year the campaign for the Belle Bennett Memorial was begun. The last of that was paid in 1926 which amounted over the four years to \$22,190.70. Our pledge kept increasing until 1930 when it was \$37,000.00. We overpaid that \$1,851.00. Then the depression struck, we kept decreasing our pledge and falling behind until 1934 our pledge had fallen to \$25,000.00. Again, with over five thousand members.

In 1936 we overpaid the \$25,000.00 pledge by \$10.00, but beginning with that little increase we have advanced steadily but surely until we have reached \$31,000.00, with more than ten thousand members.

Our per capita is not nearly as large as it was. With four thousand members we raised in one year over fifty thousand dollars and with ten thousand members it is hard for us to meet a pledge of \$31,000.00. Let us hope that we may feel the necessity for a deeper consecration during this distressful time and be willing to give of ourselves and our means more fully.

Again I thank you for the privilege of Service I have had during these years, and assuring you that I still intend to serve wherever God can use me.

Now I will give you a very fine report of which I am very proud.

# REPORT OF TREASURES

Year—1942

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1941..... \$ 987.28

## Receipts—

Membership Offering, Adult .....	21,754.60
Membership Offering, W. S. G.....	1,384.14
Membership Offering, Y. W. and G.....	66.95
Membership Offering, Babies .....	98.84
Charter Membership .....	565.71
Honorary Life Patron.....	336.18
Life Memberships .....	2,100.00
Lenten Offering .....	87.77
Memorials .....	100.00
Scarritt Maintenance.....	115.25
Foreign Scholarships .....	455.00
Scarritt Scholarships .....	300.00
Houma Scholarships .....	4,822.20
Bible Women .....	460.00
Week of Prayer .....	2,407.38
Zone Collections .....	283.18
Collection at Annual and District Meetings.....	86.61
Supplies for Houma .....	1,275.46
Supplies for St. Marks.....	707.92
Supplies for Sager Brown .....	5.40
Supplies for China .....	340.87
Supplies for India .....	18.66
Visual Education, Africa .....	42.69
Lela Carré Room at Scarritt .....	106.00
World Day of Prayer.....	31.18
Life Member Pins .....	2.00
Scarritt Associates .....	5.00
Board of Missions for Mt. Sequoyah.....	20.00
U. S. Fire Insurance Co.....	10.17
Mercy Memorial Home .....	1.05
Building and Loan Matured.....	294.14
Refunds .....	9.50
Cultivation Fund .....	518.37

Christmas at Houma .....	70.40
L. M. Zone No. 4, Alexandria District.....	3.77
Allowed for Exchange .....	.17
Monroe District, Delegate to Assembly.....	15.45
First Church, Sheveport .....	150.00
Migrant Work .....	58.00
China Relief .....	21.16

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\$40,118.45

**Disbursements—**

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Pledge .....	\$31,826.62
Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Home Supplies.....	1,988.78
Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, China.....	340.87
Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, India.....	18.66
Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Visual Education.....	42.69
Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Migrant Work.....	58.00
Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Room at Scarritt.....	106.00
Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, W. D. C. S. Cul. Fund	100.00
Mrs. E. V. Deeney, Jurisdictional Cul.....	300.00
Fed. Council of Chs., World Day of Prayer.....	31.18
Fed. Council of Chs., China Relief.....	21.16
Life Member Pins .....	2.00
Camp Brewer .....	150.00
Chevrolet for Rural Worker.....	600.00
Scarritt Associate .....	5.00
Repairing Window in Chevrolet.....	10.17
Mercy Memorial Home .....	1.05
Miss Hooper for Special Christmas Fund.....	70.40
Monroe District, Delegate to Assembly.....	15.45
Conference Expenses for Year.....	2,679.24
Bank Charges .....	13.44

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\$38,380.71      \$40,118.45

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\$ 1,737.74

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Lafayette, La.  
March 5, 1942

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, President,  
Woman's Society of Christian Service,  
Louisiana Conference,  
Alexandria, Louisiana.  
Dear Mrs. Pollard:

Complying with your request of February 5, 1942, I have made a

detailed audit of the books and records of your Conference Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Carver, of Rayne, Louisiana, for the period from January 15, 1941, to January 15, 1942. I find all receipts and disbursements properly accounted for and the books and records in excellent condition.

I also find that your Treasurer is properly bonded in the sum of \$10,000.00, by the Fidelity and Deposit Company, for one year. The premium on the bond is paid by your Conference.

Should there be any additional information you may desire, please communicate with me.

Assuring you that it has been a pleasure to serve your good Society, I am,

Very truly yours,  
R. H. AGATE, Public Accountant  
Registered with the State Board  
of Certified Public Accountants  
under No. 127.

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### RECOMMENDATIONS OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. We, your finance committee, recommend that each District have \$25.00 to assist in sending the District Delegate to Assembly.
2. That the expense of the Student Secretary be paid from Expense Fund—allowing expense of visit to each college once during year.
3. That a study of Revise Guide be made in reference to Life Memberships. If the Life Member was included in Budget for year, it is counted on Pledge. If not, it is over and above pledge.

4. Our budget for 1942 being as follows:

Pledge to Woman's Division of Christian Service.....	\$31,000.00
Conference Cultivation Fund.....	3,000.00
Total.....	\$34,000.00

Same to be prorated thus:

Alexandria .....	\$3,700.00
Baton Rouge .....	4,000.00
Lake Charles .....	3,650.00
Monroe .....	4,550.00
New Orleans .....	4,950.00
Ruston .....	4,800.00
Shreveport .....	8,350.00

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Total .....\$34,000.00

MRS. C. C. CARVER, Treasurer  
MRS. W. J. FULLILOVE, Secretary

## COST OF DIRECTED PLEDGES

These Are All Minimum Amounts

### Scholarships

Students in boarding school in China, Korea, Brazil,	
Mexico, Cuba, per year.....	\$ 40.00
Some in Cuba.....	50.00
Bible schools in Korea.....	50.00
Medical school in China.....	150.00
French Mission School, Houma, Louisiana.....	150.00
Virginia K. Johnston Home, Dallas, Texas, for Rescue Work,	
a girl's outfit for entrance.....	60.00
(Any amount will be welcomed on maintenance)	
Vashti School, Thomasville, Georgia, for dependent girls.....	200.00
Scarritt College, any course.....	300.00

### Bible Women

In China, Korea, Brazil.....	\$120.00 up
Other trained native workers.....	\$120.00 to \$750.00

### Missionaries and Deaconesses

Foreign Missionaries.....	\$900.00 to \$1,000.00
Deaconesses and Home Missionaries.....	\$900.00 up

# SPECIAL MISSIONARY PROJECTS SUPPORTED UNDER DIRECTED PLEDGES

## BIBLE WOMEN

1. Priscilla Bendley.....East Manchuria.....Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans
2. Dorothy Wilmot.....Huehow, China.....Rayne Memorial, New Orleans
3. Hester T. Smith.....Songdo, Korea.....Noel Memorial, Shreveport
4. Sallie Sexton.....Nanxing, China.....First Church, Shreveport

## SCHOLARSHIPS—FOREIGN

1. Lee Dicks.....Colegio Irene Toland, Matanzas, Cuba.....Winifred Society
2. Annie Trosper.....Holston Institute, Songdo, Korea.....Monroe Society
3. Bell O'Py.....Davidson School, Soochow, China.....Monroe Society
4. Margaret Hazel Maish.....Institute Laurens, Monterrey, Mexico.....Rayne Memorial, New Orleans

## BUDGET SPECIALS

1. Two girls.....Wemba Nyama girls Home,.....Franklin Society
2. Kindergarten.....Congo, Belge, Africa.....Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans
3. Special.....Korea.....First Church, Shreveport
4. Margaret Hazel Maish.....Brazil.....Jennings

Budaun School, India.....

## DEACONESSES AND MISSIONARIES

1. Missionary Anna B. Williams\*.....35 Nakayamare Dori, Kobe, Japan.....First Church, Shreveport
2. Deaconess Ella K Hooper.....McDonnell School and Welsey House, Houma.....1st Church, Sport & La. Conf.
3. Missionary Clara Chalmers\*.....Colegio Irene Toland, Matanzas, Cuba.....Louisiana Conference
4. Deaconess Sheila Nuttall.....Rural Worker, Monroe District.....Louisiana Conference
5. Missionary Ava Morton\*.....China.....Louisiana Conference
6. Deaconess Mamiej Chandler.....Louisiana Normal, Natchitoches.....Louisiana Conference
7. Deaconess Mary Freeman.....Jubilee Inn, Shreveport.....Louisiana Conference
8. Missionary Patricia McHugh.....Phillippines.....Louisiana Conference
9. Deaconess Betty Glasson.....Southwestern Louisiana Institute, Lafayette.....Louisiana Conference
10. Employed worker, Thelma Hubbard, La. Polytechnic Institute, Ruston.....La. Conference and Ruston

(\* In United States for the present)



## 1941 ROLL OF LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Honorary Life Patron:

Mrs. George S. Sexton, Jr., by Conference.

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### ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

#### Adults

Mrs. Mattie Eiland by Mrs. W. D. Haas; Mrs. J. L. Brunson by Natchitoches; Mrs. E. G. Sewell by Bunkie; Mrs. P. H. O'neal by Pineville; Mrs. I. B. LaCroix by Pineville; Mrs. Cora Brown by Oakdale; Mrs. James G. Russell by Winnfield.

#### Juniors

Marlyn Sudduth by Bunkie; Jacklyn Ann Benson by Tullos.

#### Babies

John Ford Lewis by Alexandria District; Charles Edward Crawford by Winnfield; Betty Jane Thompson by Winnfield; Carolyn Sue Smith by Winnfield; John Burton Parker by Winnfield; Dora Lee Jones by Melville; Irma Catherine Carter by Zone 4; John Ward Lewis by Winnfield; Jerry Joe Jeane by Tullos; John Edward Crawford by Winnfield.

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### BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

#### Adults

Mrs. P. G. Mosely, Baton Rouge First Church; Mrs. H. B. Conner, by Baton Rouge First Church; Mrs. Rowland Peak, by Baton Rouge First Church; Mrs. L. V. Willey, by Baton Rouge First Church; Mrs. Mary B. Mundy, by Baton Rouge First Church; Mrs. W. A. Booker, by Baton Rouge First Church; Mrs. Hamilton DeLesseps, by Baton Rouge First Church; Mrs. Lillian Kennedy, by Baton Rouge First Church; Mrs. Frank Kentzel, by Bogalusa; Mrs. A. C. Pipes, by Istrumma; Mrs. G. D. Denham, by Istrumma; Mrs. George Fredricks, by Istrumma; Mrs. R. H. Rownd, by Hammond; Mrs. Pauline McCoy, by Ethel.

#### Babies

Edna Jo Peabody, by Istrumma; Pannela Newsome, by Tangipahoe; Elizabeth Leverette Smith, by Baton Rouge First Church; Winston Albert Krieger, by Baton Rouge First Church; Harold Nelson Knox, by Baton Rouge First Church; Mary Eloise George, by Baton Rouge First Church; Dorothy Dennis, by Baton Rouge First Church; Arthur Summer Paine, II, by Baton Rouge First Church; William Calvin Boling, Jr., by Baton Rouge First Church; Claude Etienne Daviet, by Baton Rouge First Church; Edwin Barnet Lowden, Jr., Baton Rouge First Church; Mollie Mur-

ray Couvillion by Baton Rouge First Church; Edwin Otis Edgerton, III, by Baton Rouge First Church; Robert Manson Pitcher, by Baton Rouge First Church; Clara Blanche Roberts, by Baton Rouge First Church; Nancy Sue Haase, by Baton Rouge First Church; Polly Gibbs Rubinstein, by Baton Rouge First Church.

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## LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

### Adults

Mrs. C. W. Rogers, by Simpson.

### Juniors

Francis Marie Diaz, by Sulphur.

### Babies

Mack Holton Koonce, by Sulphur; Frances Gayle Sailor, by DeRidder; Sam Matson Killman, by DeRidder; Jo Anna Haynes, by DeRidder; Leo Russell Harmon, III, by Church Point; Carolyn Carlson by DeQuincy.

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## MONROE DISTRICT

### Adults

Mrs. A. Wells, by Grayson; Mrs. Eva Lowhead, by Bastrop; Mrs. C. F. McBride, by Bastrop; Mrs. R. H. Gannaway, by First Church, Monroe; Mrs. J. R. Henry, by West Monroe; Mrs. John D. Calhoun, by First Church, Monroe; Mrs. S. M. McReynolds, by First Church, Monroe; Miss Elizabeth Langford, by First Church, Monroe; Mrs. Bernice E. Howard, by Lake Providence; Mrs. Ruby Millsaps Peeler, by Lake Providence.

### Babies

Maurice Dale Faulkerson, by Monroe District; Linda Lee Johnston, by Grayson; Mary Larraine Hood, by West Monroe; Martha Howell, by Bonita; Mary Elizabeth Summral, by First Church, Monroe, Martha Penninger, by Bastrop; Sallie Garnier, by Bastrop.

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## NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

### Adults

Mrs. S. N. Munholland, by Metairie; Mrs. C. C. Weir, by Franklin; Mrs. Claude Ellender, by Houma; Mrs. David Tarver, by Houma; Mrs. Walter Davis Storms, by Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans; Mrs. George Beavers, Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Mrs. A. H. Buckner, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Mrs. James Lake, by Rayne Memorial New Orleans; Mrs. W. B. Reily, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans.

### Babies

Mary Catherine Champagne, by Franklin; Elizabeth Jane Carr, by

Franklin; John Fletcher Moore, by Franklin; David Hendrix Holmes, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Carrie Babington Corkers, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Kathleen Shelia Quinn, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Cecile Louise Searles, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Patrick Manning Reily, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Howard Duncan Carry, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Charles Austin O'Neill, III, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; David Peter Richarme, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; John Oeschner Gage by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Armond M. Karow, Jr., by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Patty Bess Fly, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Susan Martha Kwoonce, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Douglas Kelly, III, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; John Harvey Corver, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Patrick David Duggan, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Elizabeth Jay Culver, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Mary Ann McLellan, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Carol Ann Greer, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Margaret Lee Prince, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; Bonnie Bose, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans; David Wardlow Moore, by Rayne Memorial, New Orleans.

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## RUSTON DISTRICT

### Adults

Mrs. Fred W. Pentcost, Jr., by Arcadia; Mrs. W. O. Byrd, by Farmerville; Mrs. A. B. Coleman, by Homer; Mrs. A. C. Council, by Minden; Mrs. Frank T. Taylor, by Arcadia.

### Babies

Brenda Lou White, by Homer; Ruth Ann Boggs, by Homer; Ellis Ann McKenzie, by Homer; Aubrey James Sheppard, by Ruston; Sallie Louise Tarver, by Ruston; Joe Miller Inabert, by Ruston; Marietta Baskerville, by Ruston; Elizabeth Ann Riser, by Ruston; Linda Ann Beall, by Ruston; Nancy Jane Honeycutt, by Ruston; Larkin Boles Breed, Jr., by Ruston; John Thomas James, by Ruston; Mary Helen Barksdale, by Ruston; Elizabeth Ann Rasumasen, by Minden; Glorie Ann Byrd, by Farmerville; Paul Ellittoo Wilson, by Cotton Valley; Le Roy Linton, by Homer; James Eddie Hood, by Simsboro; Sara Elizabeth Norris, by Ruston.

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## SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

### Adults

Mrs. W. G. Stimson, by Benton; Mrs. E. E. Stewart, by First Church, Shreveport; Mrs. Ela Carvell, by Mangum Memorial, Shreveport; Mrs. A. H. Perry, by Coushatta; Mrs. M. J. Hodges, by Mangum Memorial, Shreveport; Mrs. J. H. Zeigler, by Benton; Mrs. Watt Royal,

by Mangum Memorial, Shreveport; Mrs. J. D. Townsend, by Mangum Memorial, Shreveport; Mrs. W. J. Lawton, by Green Wood; Mrs. E. A. Sartor, by Noel Memorial, Shreveport; Mrs. D. V. Trickett, Noel Memorial, Shreveport; Mrs. M. W. Drake, Noel Memorial, Shreveport; Mrs. Geo. Fox, by First Church, Shreveport; Mrs. A. C. Pipes, by Park Avenue, Shreveport.

### Babies

Tommy Grey Stimson, by Gilliam; Marjory Ann Hughes, by Pelican; Francis Diane Caldwell, by Mangum Memorial, Shreveport; Wren Cohenour, by Shreveport District; Carolyn Ann Falton, by Sibley; Joy Lynn Rembert, by Mangum Memorial, Shreveport; Sarah Margaret Sloan, by First Church, Shreveport; Harlan Beene, Jr., by First Church, Shreveport; John David Rosen, by Gilliam; Evelyn Gale Slack, by Rodessa; Mary Etta Lane Spears, by Rodessa; Nancy Lou Perot, by Zone 2; William John Garland, by Logansport; Martha Carolyn Douglas, by Cedar Grove; Roby Alfred Bridges, by Rodessa; Amy Ann Matthews, by Gilliam.

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## CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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### REPORT OF SECRETARY OF CHILDREN'S WORK

The statistical report below is misleading. These figures represent only those churches reporting. Since the missionary education of children is promoted through the Church School and additional sessions, all children attending churches using Methodist literature get some kind of missionary education. The last quarter of 1940 only 43 churches reported, but in June of 1941, 83 churches reported, so we are making progress.

Those churches reporting list number of activities with the children, which develop in them attitudes of appreciation, tolerance, active goodwill and helpful service. A large number of children have sent money for China Relief, boxes to our settlement homes, shared gifts with other racial groups in their town and enjoyed games, foods, songs and stories of other countries.

Some few churches report work with the parents. Home life is the guiding factor for the pre-school child, so our church is providing courses for parents. Christian homes are our greatest defense. We need the Christian family to restore Peace.

Seventy-four training courses have been taken by Children workers during the year. The "Fellowship of Study" offers additional ways for training.

More and more churches are reporting additional sessions, especially

during the time the Church School lessons are missionary. This is a hopeful sign.

We are teaching the children who must tell the world of Christ. Let's accept the moments challenge with gratitude. Children need Christians with spiritual poise to give them a feeling of security in these times of so many reverses. Let's strive to deepen our own convictions about God as Father and renew our loyalty to the whole world family.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ED CONGER, Secretary  
Children's Work, Louisiana Conference.

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	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
Primaries .....	53	83	73	69
Juniors .....	54	83	70	68
Primaries enrolled.....	1183	2047	1456	1532
Juniors .....	1285	2197	1704	1673
Secretaries teaching in Church Schools.....	41	71	62	53
Secretaries taking training courses.....	15	25	24	10
Secretaries reading.....	22	41	16	15
Secretaries attending Worker's Council meetings .....	17	25	21	22

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## RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING CHILDREN'S WORK

### Local Work

A. That the Secretary of Children's Work promote the unified plan throughout the church school year 1942-43, in accordance with plans outlined in the leaflet **The Plan for Missionary Education of Children in the Methodist Church**, under the direction of the Conference Secretary of Children's work.

B. That a Secretary of Children's work be elected by every Woman's Society of Christian Service, preferably a regular teacher in the primary or junior department of the church school, and that she be elected with the view of retaining office longer than one year.

C. That the Secretary of Children's work attend regularly the Council of Children's workers in the local church.

D. That the Secretary of Children's work study especially the missionary units found in the Closely Graded Church School Courses, in the Group Graded Lessons and in the materials for additional sessions.

That she plan together with the Council of Children's workers to enrich those units with the best available resource material in the area of missionary education.

E. That the Secretary of Children's work, working through the Council of Children's workers, encourage the formation of **additional** sessions of the Church School and the division of offerings in the additional sessions according to the plans outlined in the leaflet, **The Plan for Missionary Education of Children in the Methodist Church**, page 13.

F. That, in cooperation with other groups concerned, the Woman's Society of Christian Service, working through the Secretary of Children's work, help to provide opportunities in the area of missionary education for fathers and mothers by:

(1) The study of approved courses such as **Creating Friendly Attitudes Through the Home**, by Grace McGavran, or other courses provided in **The Christian Home**.

2: Or where such courses are not used, by arranging to have during the year at least two discussions of programs for parents concerning opportunities for missionary education in the home.

G. That the Secretary of Children's Work, when possible, enroll in "The Fellowship of Study" under the direction of the Board of Education of her conference.

H. That the Secretary of Children's Work attend district and zone meetings, training schools and all meetings of Children's Workers in the local church.

I. That the Secretary of Children's Work interpret the work being done with children in the local church to the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and secure the interest and cooperation of the Society in this work.

J. That the Secretary of Children's Work be urged to use the quarterly report blanks provided for them in the **Record and Report Book** of the Local Society.



## INFORMATION ON CHILDREN'S WORK

### Leaflets

World Friendship Bulletin  
Missionary Materials for use with Children  
The Plan of Missionary Education of  
Children in the Methodist Church

Mrs. Ed Conger  
Arcadia, La.

### Source Material

Widening Horizons  
(Issued monthly)

Rev. G. W. Dameron  
c/o Centenary College  
Shreveport, La.

### Report Blanks

In Record and Report Book  
of Local Corresponding  
Secretary

### Subscriptions to

Child Guidance and Christian Living  
Closely Graded Courses  
Group Graded Lessons  
The Junior Quarterly  
The Primary Class  
Trails for Juniors  
Pictures and Stories

Methodist Publishing House  
1910 Main Street  
Dallas, Texas

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## REPORT OF SECRETARY OF YOUNG WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' WORK

You will recall that this department did not begin its work until September, 1941.

Unified Plans for the Missionary Education of Youth were sent out in June and your secretary attended the School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah in July for further instruction. We were told to begin organizing Methodist Youth Fellowships early in October.

Implicit in the Unified plan for Missionary Education of Methodist Youth is the preservation of contacts between the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the girls and young women of the church. This is important. For the sake of the future membership of the Woman's Society of Christian Service the young women should become acquainted with this organization and the projects supported by Methodist women.

**Supply Work:** The Interest Groups may send supplies to the Institutions designated by the Woman's Division of Christian Service. The Conference Secretary of Supplies will furnish groups with lists of needs. This can be done by organizing Interest Groups who will make a study of this work. An attractive booklet "Channels of Actions", containing monthly programs, has been prepared for the use of these groups.

**Methodist Youth Fund:** A pledge for Missions should be made by each member of the Youth Division in the local church, to be paid weekly or monthly. The money is turned over to the Youth Treasurer who divides this money at the end of each month—50% is turned over to the local treasurer of Woman's Society of Christian Service, who marks it **Methodist Youth Fund** and sends it on to the Conference Treasurer. The other 50% is turned in as **World Comradship Funds** and sent on to Treasurer of Annual Conference, Rev. R. W. Vaughn, Ruston, La.

Pledge cards for individual pledges and cards for department pledges may be ordered from Youth Department, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

The Youth of our local church have a definite share in certain projects of the Woman's Division and our 50% share of the Methodist Youth Fund will be used to help in maintaining this work (see April issue of "THE METHODIST WOMAN", page 24-25 for list of institutions.) (April issue of "WORLD OUTLOOK" for additional information.)

Let us use every opportunity to stimulate the interest of our young people in the cause of Missions and seek to educate them in giving as part of the total Christian educational program of our church.

Just six months ago this work was begun, and incomplete and inadequate as this report necessarily must be, we feel that we have made a beginning. Already encouraging reports are coming in telling of new plans which show great enthusiasm for the work.

**Districts reporting Secretaries of Young Women's and Girls' Work:**

1. Alexandria .....	7
2. Baton Rouge .....	12
3. Lake Charles .....	9
4. Monroe .....	10
5. New Orleans .....	11
6. Ruston .....	9
7. Shreveport .....	16
Number of Interest Groups reported.....	7
Amount sent Conference Treasurer for Methodist Youth Fund (1941).....	\$66.95

To the local secretaries of Young Women's and Girls' work we say: Yours is a challenging, but a glorious task for you are **building** for to-

morrow. May God give us the wisdom and courage to face the future with the youth of our churches, as we seek to build together a World Christian Community.

MRS. E. A. SARTOR

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### RECOMMENDATIONS

We, the Planning Committee of the Young Women's and Girls' Work, recommend that:

1. Every local Woman's Society of Christian Service shall elect a well qualified woman to serve as Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work.

2. The Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work in every Society should secure all materials and thoroughly acquaint herself with the unified plan for the Missionary education of Methodist Youth and promote same.

3. The Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work should encourage the pastor in setting up the joint committee in every local church.

4. The local secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work should feel her responsibility in promoting the Methodist Youth Fund within her respective field.

5. The Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work shall organize an interest Group of girls and young women to study the work and organization of Woman's Society of Christian Service.

(A) W.S.C.S. to buy materials for study for Interest Group.

MRS. E. A. SARTOR, Secretary.

## INFORMATION ON YOUTH WORK

Leaflets (free)

(New) "Do you know the Answer?"

(New) "The Methodist Youth Fund"

"Let's Lift the Load"

"Planning and Sharing"

"Missions and Intermediates"

Mrs. E. A. Sartor  
4364 Richmond Avenue  
Shreveport, La.

"World Friendship for Youth"—Manual  
20c each

Methodist Publishing House  
Dallas, Texas

"Channels of Action"

Part I with annual report and Part II.  
50c

Literature Headquarters  
420 Plum Street  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Report Blanks (To be found in Local Corresponding Secretary's Book.)

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## REPORT OF SECRETARY OF STUDENT WORK

We have come to the end of our first complete year of Student Work in the Louisiana Conference. Not all that we hoped for has come to pass, but as we look back to our beginning, we realize that the foundation has been laid. Interest is growing, and as we face this difficult year, we feel that herein lies a great mission field.

There are seventeen hundred and nine colleges in America. Four hundred of these are served by the Methodist Church. Thirteen hundred and nine are open for the cultivation of Methodist Students.

Our boys and girls of student age are being affected more than any other group by the war. They are uprooted, they are the ones who are being called into service—they have no present and no future. They are wondering what to do, what to believe, and what to do about what they believe.

Throughout all of this experience they are sure of one thing—this shall be a better world. Their suffering shall not be in vain. The principles of Jesus Christ shall be made the working rules of the new order. What a responsibility we have to them. We expect them to be our future leaders in the church, in our country, on our mission fields, in the World Reconstruction program of tomorrow.

Murray S. Dickson, a Methodist youth, was chosen from the Methodist Student Conference at Urbana to give a Watch Night address to the Conference on Ministerial Training at Garrett Biblical Institute, Dec. 31, 1941. In part he said, "Methodist youth is confused, but it is awakening, growing into a full and powerful belief, and seeking techniques to make that belief practical. And most of all we want a principle, a final commitment which is high enough and great enough to challenge the best that is in us, which is more powerful than any army, more comprehensive than any prejudice. We want the church to call us to a loyalty higher than the Nazi loyalty to the Fuehrer, higher than the democratic loyalty to the flag. We want you to preach that kind of Christianity to us. . . . In the years ahead, you, the leaders, and we, the youth, must work together as never before. As youth we need your guidance, your inspiration, your wisdom, and your understanding. As adults you need our zeal and courage. We want to work with you to make the church truly God's agency."

The local society secretaries have done fine work this year both for students in college, and for boys in service and defense industries. Hundreds of letters, cards, "Upper Rooms", magazines, cakes and candy have gone to those away from their home churches. This contact will reap great benefit in years to come. Many entertainments have been given for students leaving and returning home. Homes of all Louisiana Methodists have been opened to boys in service wherever they are. Secretaries near campuses have cooperated with the Campus Church Relations Committee. Those near Camps have cooperated with the U. S. O. and interdenominational groups working with soldiers. The first quarterly reports show that a total of \$122.00 was given to the Student Program by local societies.

Thirty nine attended the Quadrennial Methodist Student Conference at Urbana, Illinois, during the Christmas Holidays. Many students participated in Camp Conferences, Caravans and Work Camps last summer. \_\_\_\_\_ attended the Leadership Training Conference in Baldwin, Kansas, last June.

Too much cannot be said of the fine work of our Deaconess on college campuses—Miss Mamie J. Chandler at Louisiana State Normal, Miss Thelma Hubbard at Louisiana Tech in Ruston, and Miss Betty Glasson at Southwestern Louisiana Institute in Lafayette. These young women are keeping the Church alive for students who are away from home. They strive to make the student center "a home away from home." Let us help them by sending in names of students to the Secretary by August. They need to meet the students as soon as they arrive.

We shall continue to promote the program as begun. If the days are difficult we shall have to work harder. Remember, aeroplanes rise against the resistance of the wind.

Let us continue being a friend to students, be sympathetic, understanding, a refuge and shelter during days of trouble. A guide, and inspiration and companion during the days of joy and happiness.

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The Committee on Student Work brings the following recommendations:

I.

1. We urge that each local Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Conference, who has not done so, immediately elect a Student Secretary.

2. That the local Secretary send the names along with a letter giving the home and church background of the boys and girls of her church who are attending college within her Conference to the Conference Secretary, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Bogalusa, La. If outside the state, send these names to Mrs. Lenore Porter, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

3. Keep in close personal touch with each student before leaving home and while on the campus.

4. Acquaint the student with the student work on the campus to which they are going.

5. All Student Secretaries are urged to become familiar with the material furnished.

II.

We recognize that there is a great opportunity presented to our Woman's Society of Christian Service to render a service to the young men and women who leave our churches to go into camps and defense industries.

1. We recommend that our local Student Secretaries keep in close personal touch with the young men and women of our churches in our camps and defense areas. The names of these young people who leave her own church to go into defense centers within her own conference be sent to the Conference Secretary, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy. Those outside to Mrs. Lenore Porter, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

2. That the local Secretaries order introduction cards from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, and give one to each young man or woman who are going into camp or defense areas.

3. We urge that the Student Secretaries in close cooperation with the Christian Social Relations Committee make contacts with young men and women in nearby camps and defense areas.

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE KILPATRICK,  
Acting Secretary.



# WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

## REPORT OF SECRETARY

To the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, in session, Ruston, Louisiana, April 14, 15, 16, 1942.

The Year 1941 has brought increased opportunity for the Wesleyan Service Guild. Whereas a year ago, one in five women in the United States left home each morning to take part in gainful occupation, government statistics show that today more than one in three are gainfully employed and the proportion is steadily increasing.

In the Louisiana Conference there has been a steady growth in the interest of the Guild program. According to the Annual Report of the National Guild Secretary, we rank fourth among the nineteen Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction, both in number of Guilds and money paid in. Our statistical report, as of December 31st, is as follows:

	No. Guilds	No. Members	Amt. Paid
Districts—			
Alexandria .....	3	34	\$ 51.35
Baton Rouge .....	4	45	78.05
Lake Charles .....	9	75	335.28
Monroe .....	5	119	296.35
New Orleans .....	4	99	183.41
Ruston .....	7	197	342.47
Shreveport .....	6	73	98.23
Totals .....	38	642	\$1,385.14

Guilds at St. Francisville and St. Marks, New Orleans, have been disbanded. Guilds have been organized since January 1st at Jennings, Hammond; Mangum Memorial, Shreveport; Vivian, St. Joseph, Plain Dealing, Bernice and Leesville. We also have a Guild "in the process" at Elizabeth. There has been much unavoidable confusion over the handling of Guild funds. However, at the beginning of the fiscal year the procedure for handling Guild Funds was clarified by the National Guild Secretary, following a meeting of the National Guild Standing Committee, and this information was sent out to all Guilds in our Conference by your Conference Guild secretary. (Copy of letter of clarification attached hereto.) The new printed report blanks for Treasurers are now in the hands of each Guild Treasurer.

In accordance with the Guild constitution, the Conference Guild Board of thirteen members is being succeeded by the Conference Guild Committee, composed of the Conference Guild Secretary, one Wesleyan Service Guild member from each district, and three members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The members of the Guild com-

mittee will assist in the organization and promotion of the work of the Guild whenever possible.

The Wesleyan Service Guild is part of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. It has been organized to give the employed women the same privileges of study, service and fellowship as are enjoyed by the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. It has the same purpose and program as the Woman's Society. It supports the work of the Woman's Division within the appropriation and contributes to the program of Christian Social Relations and local church activities. Therefore we urge the cooperation of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in strengthening the Guild work in Louisiana that the employed women of our church may be enlisted in the building of a better world.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HUGH H. HOFF,  
Conference Guild Secretary

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### WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD BUDGET

The Wesleyan Service Guild Budget is not included in the budget of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service. The two together make up the adult woman's work in the local church. (If the Woman's Society of Christian budget is \$500 and the Wesleyan Service Guild budget is \$100, the pastor reports \$600.)

The Guild budget is included in district, conference and jurisdiction Woman's Society of Christian Service budgets.

Any employed woman may become a member of the Guild by contributing prayer, service, and gifts, which shall include the annual Guild Cultivation Fund of 25c per member used to further the Guild work and divided as follows: 10c to be used by the local unit; 6c by the district 6c by the conference; and 3c by the jurisdiction.

The Guild has no treasurers outside of the local unit. The pledges for missions, and 15c per member of Cultivation Fund, are sent through the treasurer of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service (as designated by local unit) to the Conference W.S.C.S. Treasurer.

The unit's pledge for Christian Social Relations and Local Church activities is raised and expended by the unit. It is not included in the apportionment. Unless so voted by the unit it does not go to the local Woman's Society.

The Conference Treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, after consultation with the Conference Guild Secretary, was asked to send direct to each unit the apportionment for the year 1942 which included:

1. Any specials paid by the unit in 1941 for scholarships, special gifts, etc.

2. Money designated for Guild mission projects, approximating the amounts paid by the unit in 1941.

The unit then accepted the apportionment, or if circumstances necessitated, modified it, and reported to the district Woman's Society of Christian Service Treasurer, (where there is one) otherwise to the Conference Woman's Society treasurer.

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## RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

In order to develop and strengthen the work of the Wesleyan Service Guild in the Louisiana Conference, we make the following recommendations and seek the cooperation of the Woman's Society of Christian Service:

1. That new units of the Guild be organized where there are a half dozen gainfully employed women, in order to give them, through the Guild, the same privileges of service, study and fellowship, that the other women of the church enjoy in the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

2. That every Guild be urged to provide officers with a copy of the Guild Handbook for 1942.

3. That each Guild be urged to contribute \$1.00 or more annually for the purpose of sending the International Journal of Religious Education to mission stations of the Woman's Division of Christian Service at home and abroad. (Send money through the regular channels, marked "For Wesleyan Service Guild International Journal of Religious Education Fund".)

4. That the Guilds familiarize themselves with the projects of the Wesleyan Service Guild by the use of Project Pamphlets presented at this regular monthly meeting.

5. That each Guild be urged to subscribe to and keep a file of "THE METHODIST WOMAN" and the "WORLD OUTLOOK" for reference.

6. That each Guild encourage the use of the Upper Room and daily recognize "America's Prayer Minute."

7. That each Guild make a quarterly division and payment of the budget it assumes.

8. That plans be made for a Guild Conference or Week-end Retreat.

9. That a Conference Guild Committee be set-up in accordance with the Wesleyan Service Guild Constitution; and that the following members be appointed:

Miss Nancy Sexton, Natchitoches; Miss Mary Searles, 429 Brice Street, Baton Rouge; Miss Mildred Simmons, Welsh; Miss Francis Langford, Bernhardt Building, Monroe; Miss Joyce Odell, 1326 Lowerline, New Orleans; Mrs. S. L. Stuckey, Ruston; Miss Katherine Yeldell, Noel Memorial Church, Shreveport; representatives of the Wesleyan Service Guild, and Mrs. E. R. Haug, Lake Charles; Mrs. T. D. Chapman, Bunkie; Mrs. Hugh H. Hoff, New Orleans representatives of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS AND LOCAL CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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### REPORT OF SECRETARY

During the past year the Department has cooperated with "Agencies working toward social reform and the development of a social conscience." The nature and extent of this cooperation deserves consideration in our report. The Department gives cooperation in some organizations through its membership. In these cases, the Secretary receives their official publications and is able to utilize material from them which will stimulate interest in our common objectives.

In some organizations the Secretary has taken an active part. Considerable time and interest have been given to service on the Boards of such organizations as the Crippled Children's Clinic, Juvenile Protective Association, Red Cross, Health Units, etc.

Reports from the local Secretaries show the result of co-operative activities and studies in increasing reality in types of service. This has been through the Secretaries, who, for example, have spoken before City Councils, have written letters to Senators and Representatives, written articles for the daily press, and in all possible ways worked in the interest of greater opportunities for the Negro race. It is the type of intensive work that brings results.

On the two hundred sixty-seven societies, only one hundred sixty-three reported during the past year. Out of this number one hundred qualified for the Honor Roll, sending reports every quarter on time.

The following societies have made the required four quarterly reports:

**ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT** — Alexandria First Church, Bunkie, Opelousas, Boyce, Winnfield, Palmetto, Montgomery, Natchitoches, Pineville, Glenmora.

- BATON ROUGE DISTRICT** —Baton Rouge First Church, Zachery, Bogalusa, New Hope, Ponchatoula, Blackwater, St. Francisville, Hammond, Baker, Amite.
- LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT**—Lake Charles First Church, Ebenezer, Rayne, Welch, Leesville, Sulphur, Lafayette, Gueydan, Simpson, Lake Arthur, DeRidder.
- MONROE DISTRICT** —Monroe First Church, Bastrop, Buckner, Stone Avenue, Gordon Avenue, Waterproof, Jones, Columbia, Wisner, Rayville, Mangham, Wesley, St. Joseph, Grayson, Lake Providence, Delhi, Tallulah, Sterlington, Winnsboro, Mer Rouge.
- NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT** —New Orleans Second Church, Rayne Memorial, Eighth Street, New Orleans, Canal Street, Franklin, Napoleon Avenue, Houma, Morgan City, Munholland Memorial, St. Marks, Parker Memorial.
- RUSTON DISTRICT** —Springhill, Gibsland, Chatham, Haynesville, Ruston Trinity Church, Arcadia, Ansley, Claiborne, Bernice, Home, Minden, Athens, Cotton Valley, Eros, Clay, Farmerville, McIntyre.
- SHREVEPORT DISTRICT** —Greenwood, Rodessa, Cedar Grove, Vivian, Plain Dealing, Benton, Coushatta, Ida, Logansport, Zwolle, Bossier City, Sexton Chapel, Gilliam, Keithville, Shreveport First Church, Noel Memorial, Mangum Memorial, Wynn Memorial, Broadmoor, Park Avenue, Pelican.  
MRS. D. C. METCALF, Secretary

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## RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS AND LOCAL CHURCH ACTIVITIES

We recommend:

1. That we continue to emphasize in this conference three areas of interest especially pertinent to the needs of Louisiana, namely, minority groups and interracial cooperation, Christian Citizenship and the Christian family. It is recognized that major emphasis on three does not



limit the society to study and action in these three areas alone, but attention may and should be given to the other four as occasion demands.

2. Recognizing the value of training, we recommend that the local societies urge their secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities to attend the school for Christian workers in Shreveport June 8-12. Where possible with financial aid.

3. In the area of the Local Church and Community Cooperation

a. That Local Church women adjacent to Defense Communities and Military Encampments meet their responsibility for providing wholesome recreation and Christian contact for individuals and family groups in these areas.

b. That following a careful study of its own neighborhood each Society should inaugurate ways of raising the general standards of community life and strengthen the Christian character of its people. Each Society should initiate or cooperate in the promotion of at least one community project each year.

4. In the area of International Relations and World Peace.

a. Organize Study Courses on "Peace".

b. Cooperate with the community studying International Relations and World Peace.

c. A careful study of pending legislation. Support such bills pertaining to international relations and World Peace, as may be recommended by this department.

5. Economic Relations

a. Societies foster programs of Study on Economic aspect of family life, on Consumer Education, on Problems of Family Health, and on various phases of the home economic program.

6. Minority Groups and Interracial Cooperation.

a. That local societies cooperate with the Race Relations Department of the Federal Council of Churches in the celebration of Race Relations Sunday in February, World Day of Prayer, and Brotherhood Week.

b. That Local Societies cooperate in the leadership program of the Colored Methodist Church serving Negroes in our Conference, especially in assisting women delegates to attend training school.

7. Christian Citizenship.

a. That a study be made of the new pamphlet on Christian Citizenship and activities be promoted growing out of study.

b. That careful study be given pending legislation and support of such bills pertaining to all phases of Christian citizenship especially



those bills to brought before our State Legislature in May.

#### 8. Alcohol and Narcotics.

a. That informational programs with additional Educational films be presented in communities that people may learn what alcohol s and what it does.

b. That requests be made to public schools that they teach Narcotic education for safety, health and efficiency, in correlation in Science, Biology, Physiology and Hygiene.

c. That it be expressed through the Church by securing frequent mention from the pulpit, and through factual material presented to the local congregation by means of Church bulletin or bulletin board.

d. That we support and commend officers who enforce our present laws pertaining to liquor and in those communities where elections are to be held this year men be supported for office who believe in abolition of alcohol and narcotics.

#### 9. The Christian family

a. That we emphasize the plans, programs and materials provided by the Methodist Church in the realm of the Christian home, in the presentation whenever possible of such material in study groups, short courses, public forums, Sunday School classes and in formal studies in the Woman's Society for Christian Service.

#### Further Recommendations

Be It Resolved that:

We protest individually and as Church groups against the granting of tire priorities for beer and liquor trucks and discriminating against similar grants to trucks and vehicles bearing essential foods such as milk and bread.

Be it further resolved that as a Conference and as Societies we send letters of protest to Mr. Donald Nelson and to the Federal Rationing Agencies responsible for this policy.

We recommend that:

We endorse and join with state and Child Welfare Groups in sponsoring State bills to be introduced by our legislature looking toward the wiping out of Child exploitation through undesirable employment, including the employment of young girls in establishments selling liquor for consumption on the premises and the protection of migratory and resident children employed prematurely in our state agriculture.

Signed:

MRS. D. C. METCALF, Chairman

MRS. D. CRAWFORD YOUNG,

Secretary.

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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### REPORT OF SECRETARY OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

The year 1941 has been a truly busy time with the many duties that have come to the office of the Secretary of Literature and Publications.

"The Conference News" has continued to be published quarterly. Since the Charter Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service this news bulletin has been issued. Starting as a mimeographed sheet, it has within the past year grown into a full-fledged printed news bulletin. The purpose of this paper is to keep the societies informed concerning news and activities of the Conference and to serve as a liason between the officers and the societies. As Secretary of Literature and Publications, it has been my duty to serve as editor. Mrs. G. J. Tinsley, District Secretary of the Lake Charles District, is Associate Editor and the value of her services has been inestimable.

It has been also the duty of the Secretary of Literature and Publications to edit the Woman's Page in the New Orleans Christian Advocate. Early this year, Mrs. D. C. Metcalf consented to be the Assisant Editor and her contributions have added great interest to the news articles on this page.

During the year, 2,180 pieces of literature were mailed to the societies and officers. This included the two sets of program material, pictures, "The Conference News", etc.

Our 1941 subscription goals for both the "WORLD OUTLOOK" and "THE METHODIST WOMAN" were 1740. Since it has been impossible for the offices of these magazines to furnish us a report on the total number of subscribers for our Conference, and since our society reports have been incomplete, we do not know whether the goal has been reached or not. From the reports the record showed only 1,023 subscribers to the "METHODIST WOMAN" and 1,045 subscribers to the "WORLD OUTLOOK", but I am confident that if the reporting had been 100%, it would have shown many more. There has been an ever increasing interest in "THE METHODIST WOMAN", and its popularity in some places has even exceeded that of the "WORLD OUTLOOK". Both magazines are necessary for an informed, efficient membership, and should be used hand in hand.

The new program material has been enthusiastically received by the societies as a whole.

Of the 267 societies in the Louisiana Conference only 44 qualified for the Honor Roll—those sending Literature reports for the four quarters. The societies so qualifying are:

Alexandria District: Montgomery, Winnfield, Elizabeth and Alexandria.

Baton Rouge District: Istrouma, Bogalusa, Jackson and New Hope.

Lake Charles District: Simpson Church, Lake Charles, Sulphur, Gueydan, Welsh, New Iberia.

Monroe District: Mer Rouge, Sterlington, Wisner, West Monroe, Lake Providence, Buckner, Gordon Avenue of Monroe, Bastrop, Little Creek, Waterproof, and Stone Avenue of Monroe.

New Orleans District: Gentilly, Morgan City, Second Church of New Orleans, and Houma.

Ruston District: Cotton Valley, Farmerville, Haynesville and Homer.

Shreveport District: Belcher, Hosston, Noel Memorial of Shreveport, Rodessa, Benton, Bossier City, Broadmoor of Shreveport, Keithville, Logansport, Coushatta, and First Church of Shreveport.

May we through this next year continue to read and study so that our work may take on new meaning and enthusiasm, new vision and consecration.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. J. DAVIDSON, JR.

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### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Literature and Publications wishes to submit the following recommendations:

1. That the Secretary of Literature and Publications serve on the program committee so that she may more effectively promote the use of program material and other Literature of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.
2. That each Secretary make a careful study of all literature provided for the use of the Society, and that she keep informed of new literature through the announcements in our magazines.
3. That each Society reach the goal "every officer a subscriber to the 'WORLD OUTLOOK' and the 'METHODIST WOMAN'", and that a systematic effort be made to place both magazines in every home represented by the membership of the Society.
4. That the Secretary of Literature and Publications present the 'CONFERENCE NEWS' to the society at the meeting following the receipt of this paper.
5. That the Secretary report Quarterly to the Conference secretary of Literature and Publications.

6. That the Woman's Society of Christian Service continue to edit the Woman's page in the New Orleans 'CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE'.
7. That each Society subscribe to the 'METHODIST WOMAN' and the 'WORLD OUTLOOK' for the use of the Program Committee.

MRS. E. P. CUDD, Chairman  
MRS. COLLINS LIPSCOMB, Sec.

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## REPORT OF SECRETARY OF MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE

To the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, in Session, Ruston, La., April 14, 15, 16, 1942.

An ever-developing and ever-enlarging program in the area of Missionary Education and Service has kept both conference and local secretaries "on the alert" in 1941. Throughout the year, new study opportunities, new education cultivation plans, and new definitions of the work have constantly presented themselves. Fortunately, the Conference Secretary has had the cooperation of two other Conference officers to form the Conference Study Committee. Early in the year, this committee prepared and mailed to every local Secretary of Missionary Education and Service a suggested plan of study for the entire year, including instructions for the formation and functioning of the local study committees. In addition to this guidance material, suggestions on the spring and fall mission studies were sent to each local secretary.

The fall, district-wide "Study Day" meetings, which were cut short because of war maneuvers in the state (meetings were held in the Shreveport, Ruston, Monroe and Alexandria Districts) emphasized the total study program and the responsibility of each member of the study committee in relation to the other members.

The four outstanding studies of the year were: "The Christian Mission in China Today", "Jesus and Social Redemption", "Christians and World Order", and "The Christian Family." For the first time, classes taking the Christian Social Relations study on "The Christian Family" were counted on the Efficiency Aim and could apply for Special Jurisdiction Recognition. Twenty-four such classes were held. Twenty-seven societies reported cooperation in a Church-wide School of Missions, using the text "Methodism's World Mission", by Van Dusen.

Special Missionary Projects have been confused with activities in Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, particularly those growing out of studies. Nevertheless, at the end of the year we were able to report approximately \$10,883.00 sent to the Conference Treasurer for Special Missionary Projects within the appropriations—or 34% of the amount sent by the Conference Treasurer to Mrs. Fulton.

The statistical report of this department of work follows:

Total No. Study Classes, including studies in Missions, Bible, and Christian Social Relations .....	386
Total No. Members in all Classes.....	9,198
No. Reading Circles .....	66
No. Different Societies Reporting Missionary Libraries .....	54
No. Special Jurisdiction Recognition Classes.....	55

The above figures in no way indicate the really fine work that was done in 1941, for there is no way to measure or count enlightened minds, stirred hearts, earnest effort, and sincere consecration. Suffice it to say, that more and more societies are reporting results in activity growing out of study, which is, after all, the real test of interest and growth.

To think of study plans and text books in these troubled days seem prosaic, but let us remember that Missionary Education is basic in maintaining those ideas and ideals of mutual understanding and brotherhood between races and people and cultures, the loss of which has been largely responsible for our present chaotic condition. To the end that we shall be able to exemplify Christian stability and intelligence in a world at war—and later, in a post-war world—let us study and work and pray.

MRS. G. W. DAMERON

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## APPROVED STUDY TOPICS AND TEXT

1942

### Missions—

Joint Study: W.S.C.S. cooperating in a Church-wide Mission study class under direction of the Pastor.

Text: "The Methodist Meeting House", by Paul Garber

Topic: Christianity and Democracy.

Text: "Christian Roots of Democracy in America", by Arthur E. Holt.

Topic: Latin America (to be taught in Pastors' school and Conference for Christian Workers, Centenary College, Shreveport, June 8-12, 1942.

Text: "On This Foundation", by W. Stanley Rycroft.

### Bible—

Text: "Our Times, What Has the Bible to Say?" by Dwight J. Bradley. Any other text on the approved list may be used also.

### Christian Social Relations—

Topic: The Christian Family

Text: "Growing Together in the Family", by L. F. Wood, or



"The Home and Christian Living", by Hayward and Hayward.  
**Topic:** Stewardship  
**Text:** "I Have a Stewardship", by Ralph Cushman.

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REPORT OF STUDY CLASS APPLYING FOR SPECIAL RECOGNITION FROM THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE  
OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ JURISDICTION

Topic studied \_\_\_\_\_

Title of book used as text \_\_\_\_\_

Author of text \_\_\_\_\_

List Titles of reference books and other materials used by members of  
of class in connection with the study of the Topic (Over II) \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of weeks used for study \_\_\_\_\_ (Not counting monthly  
meeting). (over III)

Opening date \_\_\_\_\_ Closing Date \_\_\_\_\_

Number of class sessions \_\_\_\_\_ Length in hours of each class session \_\_\_\_\_

Number of students in class \_\_\_\_\_ Average attendance \_\_\_\_\_  
(Every student must complete required reading) (Over VI)

Describe some assignments given by the teacher to members of the class  
in preparation for class sessions, in addition to reading text. State some  
results \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe the methods used in conducting class sessions (Over VII) \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Qualifications: (See Over VIII)

What Educational background \_\_\_\_\_ Teaching Experience \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ State definitely what special preparation was made for  
leading this class \_\_\_\_\_

Conference \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary of Missionary Education and Service \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_



## REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIAL JURISDICTION RECOGNITION

- I. THE TEXTBOOK used in Special Classes must be selected from the list recommended for that purpose by the Woman's Division of Christian Service for the current year.
- II. SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL must be used by members of the class to enrich the study of the text.
- III. ONE TO EIGHT weeks may be used for the study, but a four to six weeks' study is highly desirable.
- IV. AN AVERAGE OF 70% of the members must attend the class sessions.
- V. A CLASS SESSION should be formed from one hour to one hour and a half in length, making a total minimum of six hours.
- VI. STUDENTS MUST READ AN APPROVED TEXT and make outside preparation and must participate in class work. In addition to this, assignments shall be given each member by the teacher. These assignments may be reading from supplementary materials, research, co-operative activities, etc., that require additional outside preparation. This and some results of the study may be reported on an additional sheet.
- VII. THE DISCUSSION METHOD of conducting the class is recommended as most successful in stimulating group study and participation. The lecture method alone is not acceptable. A variety of methods may be desirable.
- VIII. THE TEACHER shall be qualified for the work by consecration to the task, by sufficient educational background, and by a willingness to use every opportunity for becoming a trained and experienced teacher, such as Special Study and Preparation, or attending Educational Conferences or Seminaries, Pastors' Schools, Leadership Schools, Training Courses, or Schools of Missions.
- IX. A REPORT of the class must be made to the Conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service on this blank furnished by her. She shall examine it, and if requirements are met, she shall report it to the Jurisdiction Secretary of Missionary Education and Service who will issue a recognition card for work meeting the required standard. Recognition cards will be sent by the Jurisdiction Secretary to the Conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

The committee on Education wishes to submit the following report.

- I. That approved study courses be promoted in the local society by the study committee, composed of the Secretary of Missionary Edu-

cation and Service, Secretary of Christian Social Relation and Local Church Activities, and the Charman of Spiritual Life Committee, the ultimate responsibility of such approved studies resting with the Secretary of Missionary Education and Service. The brief and more informed studies in the various areas of the department of 'Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities should be planned and promoted by the committee on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities for various groups. Also, the devotional studies for the cultivation of the Spiritual Life in the Church should be planned and promoted by the Spiritual Life Committee for various groups. Such plans for informal studies should be coordinated with the total educational program.

II. That emphasis be placed on a goal in each district of 100% attainment of the efficiency aim as it relates to study: Three approved study courses or an increase of one over the previous year. That wherever possible jurisdiction requirements be met.

III. That each local society cooperate with the pastor in whatever method of presentation he may choose for the joint study in a school of missions in the local church.

IV. That Educational Leadership be cultivated by:

1. Educational Conferences and Seminars held in the Zones or Districts and promoted by the Conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service and the District Secretary.

2. Cooperation in the District Missionary Institutes, thus promoting the Educational Program and relating the Woman's Society of Christian Service to the total program of the Church.

3. Encouraging and participating in cooperative courses in training agencies, approved by the Board of Education, such as Pastor's Schools, Christian Workers Training Schools.

4. Each local Society, wherever possible sending its Secretary of Missionary Education and Service to the Pastor's School and Conference for Christian Workers, Centenary College, Shreveport, June 8-12, where a course on the Fall Mission Topic will be offered, or by a group of Societies, such as a Zone, sending one or two representatives to take the Mission Course, these persons agreeing to help if necessary, in educational Seminars and Conferences in the area represented.

5. That the Secretary of Missionary Education and Service in the local Society encourage and assist in the enrichment of program material through the use of 'THE METHODIST WOMAN', the 'WORLD OUTLOOK', the World Parish and Homeland Series, and other cultivation materials that may appear.

MRS. E. P. CUDD, Chairman  
MRS. COLLINS LIPSCOMB, Sec.

# DEPARTMENT OF SPIRITUAL LIFE

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## REPORT OF SECRETARY

Abilene, Texas

April 8, 1942

TO THE WOMEN OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE:

My dear Friends,

Because it is impossible for me to be with you at this time, I must write to let you know how I love you and this work, which is so vital to our Woman's Society of Christian Service and the entire church.

Since last June 9, it has been my privilege and joy to serve you as Spiritual Life Chairman of the Conference. To follow two such splendid leaders as Mrs. R. E. Smith and Mrs. Guy Hicks was not easy, but on the other hand has been a challenge. For me, this past year was one of the richest in my Christian Experience.

The Seminar on Spiritual Life Work in the School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah, July 8-18 was very meaningful, because of the vision of the scope of the work and practical suggestions, which I received. In August, I assisted the Worship Committee in our Conference Youth Camp at Camp Brewer, and likewise in district camp. This afforded opportunity to tie in our work with that of the young people of our church.

In September, the Conference Study Committee went into four of the seven districts of our conference, and in each district much time was given to the promotion of Spiritual Life Work in the local church.

Perhaps the highlight in this work of the past year was the Spiritual Life Retreat held in connection with the Executive Committee Meeting, held at beautiful MacDonell French Mission School, October 20-22. At that time we had as guest for the Retreat, Mrs. W. M. Alexander, Division Spiritual Life Chairman. Feeling the need of Spiritual Armament, and believing that this renewing of the Inner Life should begin with Conference Officers, the Retreatants were the Conference Officers, Spiritual Life Chairman of each district, and one young woman from each district. I wish it were possible to go into detail to tell you just what this Retreat, whose theme was Victory through Faith, meant to all who were in attendance. Perhaps the importance of devotional reading emphasized by the purchase by thirty-five women of thirty-five dollars worth of books that will help us to know what the Retreat meant to most of us! When we go home ready to read, with something uplifting to read, our faith in this Renewed Life is increased. This Retreat confined to so few made us desire, yes, even to somewhat plan for opening the doors in 1942 to a great Conference-wide Retreat.

Special emphasis was given throughout the Conference upon the following: Week of Prayer in October and World Day of Prayer—"I am the Way" held February 20; Consistent Devotional Bible Reading and Study in Woman's Society of Christian Service and Church School; Distribution of the Prayer Calendar and Prayer Card; More definite circulation of Upper Room and Devotional Books; Observance of America's Prayer Minute, 6 P. M. every day; expressed desire that each Spiritual Life Group would conduct a study on "Prayer" by Ellene Ransom and one on "I Have a Stewardship" by Bishop Cushman.

Innumerable cards and letters have been written in behalf of the work. Today we can report 191 local Spiritual Life Chairmen, believing that there are many more. In another year we hope to have a more definite way of reporting on local and district Spiritual Life Work.

Our Conference was saddened by the loss of Mrs. Sudie Lingle, Shreveport District Spiritual Life leader. She slipped away just before her district Retreat, which she had so beautifully planned for an early date in September. In memory of her splendid life and work some of the things she had prepared for her Retreat were used in our Conference Retreat.

Your Spiritual Life Family of the Conference is as follows:

Division Chairman—Mrs. W. M. Alexander.

Conference Chairman—Mrs. David Tarver.

Associate Chairman—Mrs. C. H. Shaffer, 227 Washington, Shreveport, La.

District Key Women are as follows:

Alexandria—Mrs. L. A. Blevins, Glenmora, La.

Baton Rouge—Mrs. H. A. Sheppard, 120 St. Maximilian St.

Lake Charles—Mrs. Eliza I. Harris, 625 Kirby St.

Monroe—Mrs. C. B. Atkinson, P. O. Box 401.

New Orleans—

Ruston—Mrs. A. A. Meredith, Jonesboro, La.

Shreveport—Mrs. J. R. Ingram, 3791 Youree Drive.

In his excellent book, **THE GREATEST THING IN THE WORLD**, Henry Drummond asks that each of us read the 13th chapter of First Corinthians at least once each week for the next three months: Will you join me in doing this during these perilous days when hate is so rampant in our world? I believe by doing this prayerfully, our lives will richer, yes, even change and motivated by the greatest thing in the world—LOVE.

Let us seek earnestly during the days which are ahead of us to make the real possibilities of our local groups come to life by that which is the very heart of all that we do—An Awakened Spiritual Life Group.

Sincerely,

MRS. DAVID TARVER,

Conference Spiritual Life Chair-  
man.

## A PRAYER CALENDAR

These goals for Spiritual Life Cultivation are listed for use of Spiritual Life groups for definite prayer and promotion through the church organization:

### GENERAL OBJECTIVES:

1. Keeping the Quiet Time daily.
2. Use of UPPER ROOM and other devotional helps.
3. Prayer and Fellowship Groups.
4. Cooperation with Christian Social Relations in services, in Institutions, Army Camps, Defense Projects, Settlements, etc.
5. Definite Prayer for work and workers at home and abroad.
6. Plan for Conference Spiritual Life meeting in connection with annual meeting.
7. Provision of Devotional Library.
8. Plans for Morning Watch at annual meeting.
9. Promotion of Stewardship and Personal Evangelism.
10. Establishment of Family Altars.
11. Enlistment in practice of the National Prayer Minute at six o'clock every day.
12. Spirit of worship in church services.

### FIRST QUARTER:

#### January

1. Distribution of World Federation Prayer Card.
2. Plans for Pledge Service of W.S.C.S.
3. Active participation in the Universal Week of Prayer for the churches.

#### February

1. World Day of Prayer.
2. Race Relations Sunday.

#### March - April

1. Cooperation with pastor in Special Lenten Services. (Cottage prayer meetings, church visitation, etc.)
2. Fellowship of Prayer and other Lenten Reading.

### SECOND QUARTER—THIRD QUARTER:

#### May

May Day Luncheons.



## June

Letters to graduates: Local graduates and graduates in Home Mission Institutions.

## July - August

Summer Assemblies, Institutes, etc.

## September

Fall Spiritual Life Meetings and Retreats.

## FOURTH QUARTER:

### October

1. Cooperation with pastor in observance of World Communion Sunday.
2. The observance of the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial.

### November

1. Prayer and work for Peace and World Brotherhood (Armistice Day.)
2. Thanksgiving Service.

### December

1. Plan for Bible Sunday.
2. Pray definitely for divine guidance in the selection of officers for the coming year.
3. Deepen the spiritual tones in Christian activities.
4. Pray for the successful closing of the year's work.
5. Participate in watch-night services.

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## RECOMMENDATION FOR SPIRITUAL LIFE CULTIVATION

1. Feeling the need of a deeper Fellowship with God and His Will for our lives, we recommend that each local society strive to make an active Spiritual Life Group, having more groups when advisable.
2. Believing that stronger Spiritual Life Leadership will be secured in the Conference, district, and local societies, we recommend that all Spiritual Life Chairmen be elected rather than appointed and that they be members of respective Executive Boards.
3. We recommend the Observance of America's Prayer Minute, sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches at 6:00 P. M. every day.
4. Feeling the growing need for definite reports on Spiritual Life work, we recommend that each local chairman report to her district chairman and the district chairman report to conference chairman when other reports are sent in.



5. We recommend that the Prayer Calendar be adopted by the Conference and printed in the Annual Conference report, and that these goals be actively promoted in each local society.
6. We further recommend that, if it seems advisable to the Conference Executive Committee, we have a Conference-wide Retreat at an appropriate time during the year and that this Retreat be followed by at least one all day Spiritual Life Meeting to be held during the year in each district and local society.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. DAVID TARVER,

MRS. CLARENCE SHAFFER

Louisiana Conference Spiritual  
Life Committee.

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## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

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### STATUS OF WOMEN

During the stress of the present world and national situation, women will be called on more and more to fill places formerly filled by men. While homemaking has been and still is the major occupation of the larger number of women, nevertheless, women have time to do many outside activities. Many other organizations in the community have been securing the larger part of this leisure time of our own church women. Because of these points the committee wishes to make the following recommendations:

1. That in our local societies we make our programs attractive to larger numbers of women; that those of us now so devoted to the work make increased efforts to interest more women of our church in this effort which we consider so worthwhile.

2. That all of us keep informed on the Status of Women in the country, a status which will be meeting constant changes.

3. That every member of the W.S.C.S. keep informed on world and national and state problems so that we may intelligently meet the ever changing situations which confront us.

4. That, since women represent 75% of the membership of our church, we work toward greater representation of women on the Boards and Conferences of our church, General, Conference, Jurisdictional and Local Church.

MRS. S. J. FAIRCHILD, Chairman

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VISITING INSTITUTIONS

Committee on Visiting Institutions reports that all institutions located within the bounds of the Louisiana Conference have been visited by the members of the committee.

They are rendering a service and high type of Christian work so much needed in the Community in which they are located.

MRS. J. H. THATCHER, Chairman

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### RESEARCH

President—Mrs. J. B. Pollard, Alexandria.

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MRS. S. M. COLLINS, Chairman

# LOUISIANA MISSION FIELDS

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## MAC DONELL FRENCH MISSION SCHOOL

Wesley Community House and Rural Work—Houma, La.

Report of 1941

### I. Advisory Board:

Mrs. J. A. Pharr, President; Mrs. J. W. Downs, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., Mrs. J. B. Pollard, Mrs. J. H. Thatcher, Mrs. C. I. Jones, Mrs. Gilman McConnell, Dr. B. H. Andrews, Dr. W. W. Holmes.

### II. Staff of Workers, 1941-1942:

Deaconess Ella K. Hooper, and Lillie J. Hendricks. Employed—Miss Ione Gandy, Miss Annie Lampard, Miss Margaret Brown, Miss Margaret Hodson, Miss Elizabeth Hullett, Mrs. Ella Lee Faulk, Mrs. Zelda Whittington, Miss Wade McGraw, Miss Hilda Howell, Mr. Murphy Delaune.

Note: Mr. J. B. Lear and Mr. Thomas Cantrelle were on the faculty roll until called into the Service.

Dulac Indian School—Miss Wilhelmia Hooper and Miss Elaine Willett.

### Report of MacDonell School for 1941

The average enrollment, or attendance, is about 110 for the nine school months and 20 to 25 during the summer. The pupils come from many different rural communities and represent an area of a fifty-mile radius centering in Houma. There are, of course, some boys and girls from farther away, but the concentration is within, or near, this radius. Types of home life vary. There are the plantation sections to the north and west of the school; the truck farmers, mostly small land-owners, to the east and immediate south; and the swamp marsh sections farther down. These latter are the trappers and fishers.

The Louisiana Conference supports about thirty-five Scholarships, in whole or in part. Only a small number of pupils are able to pay the required amount for board—which includes laundry, care in illness and, in many cases complete physical rehabilitation. Most of the pupils are unable even to provide the very simple wardrobe needed in the school. Here, and in almost every department of the work, the Conference Supply department comes to the aid. We are very grateful, too, for the help that comes from other Conferences. Especial thanks are due to the Arkansas Conferences for showers of much-needed linen.

There are two outstanding objectives in dealing with the pupil:  
(a) his own individual liberation development and establishment in qualities

of Christian character. The word liberation is used advisedly, for it must be remembered the boy or girl coming to MacDonell is already beset with ideas, habits, and aptitudes that constitute a major handicap ; and (b) a vision and training, by actual participation, in community and church leadership.

Therefore, though MacDonell School is the focal point of emphasis, the activities reach into all the rural areas and the boys and girls at Mac Donell School are found leading the singing in a rural church, playing for a service, assisting with a picture presentation—movie—at Dulac and taking an active part in all the home church activities, assisting with the primary and Junior Leagues, teaching classes in the Church School, assisting with the rural Missionary Societies, helping with the choir, and visiting the shut-ins and the ill to take cheer and comfort. In addition they all assist with all forms of work, from helping to build a church, or a camp, to digging drain ditches, raising chickens, setting tables, cooking, painting, and all up and down the line. Each is thereby able to find his own special interests and to develop skills for earning a livelihood in later years.

A large undertaking, you say? And difficult? Certainly. But the need is great, the opportunities unlimited, and the joy of seeing young lives transformed and established in ways of strength and beauty is, to the wise, more than adequate compensation.

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#### SCHOLARSHIPS—1941

Alexandria First Church—Libby Martin.

Alexandria First Church and Gleaners—Helen Cantrelle and Genevieve Chauvin.

Alexandria District and Zones—Beulah Cantrelle, Rita Rogers, and Benita Levron.

Bunkie—Mrs. W. D. Haas, Flossie Martin.

Baton Rouge First Church—Mollie Hatch and Sadie Martin.

Baton Rouge District—Modress Quatrevingt, Isaac Neal and Gloria Robinson.

Crowley Auxiliary—Bessie Marcelle.

New Iberia—Eunice Griffin.

Lake Charles District—Zones 2 and 4—Lelia Rita Dupre and Adeline Comeaux.

Lake Charles District—Zones 1 and 3—Carol Matherne.

Lake Charles Auxiliary—Ora Levron.

Lafayette—Mary Hafers.

Monroe District—Ethel Robichaux.

Monroe First Church—Leroy Martin.

West Monroe—Shirley Robichaux.  
New Orleans District, Zone 1, N. O.—Martharene Porche.  
New Orleans District, Zones 2, 3, and 4—Ellswood Martin.  
Carrollton Avenue—Elma Savoie.  
Rayne Memorial—Helen Pitré.  
Rayne Memorial—DalRita Dupré.  
Rayne Memorial, Snyder Scholarship—Oakland Cantrelle.  
Homer—Vernice Liner.  
Ruston Auxiliary—Odile Cantrelle.  
Shreveport, Zone 1—Victoria Neal.  
Shreveport, Zone 2—Robert Hunter.  
Shreveport, Zones 3 and 4—Lorine Martin and Kate Hatch.  
Shreveport, First Church—Bessie Cantrelle and Mary Pitré.  
Noel Memorial, Shreveport—Morris Martin, Dolores Rogers, and Maryann Rodrigue.  
Conference, Houma Day Offering—Lucia Rodrigue.  
Shreveport First Church, Mrs. Lamar Baker—Rita Dupré.  
Monroe, Parker Memorial Class—Ruth Barrios.

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### THE DULAC INDIAN MISSION

The widespread interest and cooperation in this work is most heartening. Gifts have been pouring in from all sections and departments of the Conference, ten dollar gifts for "SHARES" in the work. Each Donor is to be listed as a FOUNDER and will, in time, receive a special certificate and a souvenir—some piece of handwork made by the Indians. These items of recognition are slow reaching the donors because the living demands of carrying forward the work take precedence over office work and sometimes crowds it out for days together.

These gifts are for the purchase of Indian Point, a peninsular of about forty-five acres, strategically located for the work. Fifteen hundred dollars has already been paid in and the amounts for the remaining thousand are rapidly accumulating.

Special thanks are also due the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension for securing a salary for an additional worker—Miss Elaine Willett, whose gifted services have meant so much in the months since her arrival in November. Mr. Clanton, of Shreveport, continues the salary of Miss Wilhelmina Hooper.

An outstanding feature of the year in the Indian work has been the movie presentation of educational and religious films twice a month. This is a cooperative project sponsored by the Pastor of the Church, Rev. M. S. Robertson, and the MacDonell School. The attendance at these showings always averages around 150. It is a very effective piece of work.



The school remains open all the year round, with one-week "vacations" from time to time. The attendance is largely seasonal, dropping to a low of ten to twenty in the trapping season and reaching its high point during the slack season of work in that territory. Night schools and extension schools are parts of the educational plan.

Garden plots are rented to house boat dwellers on the Point. This enables each family to have vegetables in season and for canning. There is now demand for small houses for rent so those living at a distance can move nearer the school and take advantage of church and school facilities. We find that someone can donate blocks for one house, there is roofing for one, and someone else has a door to give. MacDonell School has some small screen frames, etc. By this means we hope soon to have one small house erected at very little cost. The labor will be donated. It will be interesting to watch for the report on this project a year hence.

The Indian work moves forward and repays in human and spiritual dividends a hundred-fold.

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### LOUISIANA CONFERENCE RURAL WORK 1941-1942

I wish I could take you on a tour of my work with me. At Transylvania we would visit in many homes during times of sickness or sorrow, for conferences concerning Church plans, or for personal contacts. There would be visits to the school each week for Story Hours with the first three and part of the fourth grades. Once a month there would be attendance at P. T. A. meetings, of which I was program chairman for a time, a Home Demonstration club meeting when we could possibly make it. Once a quarter there would be attendance at a Community Council meeting and a Religious Committee meeting, planning for one community religious service each quarter.

There would be Sunday School every Sunday morning, Church every other Sunday. There would be meetings with the young people, resulting in the organization of the Youth Division. Later we would attend and assist with young people's meeting and a Christmas pageant presented at Church and at the Union meeting.

There would have been meetings of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the thrill on being at the service when they raised their pledge 50%, and made plans for the year including Mission and Bible Study, Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, and regular program meetings.

Next we would move to Holly Ridge where there was no organization. The pastor from Rayville had held a Revival meeting there in the summer and so the way was opened for the Deaconess. We would find



just a few Methodist families and just a few with no Church preference, but a need for religious activities and others who are not active in their own churches.

On the first Sunday in the community we would find four people in attendance at Sunday School in the little tenant house which the plantation owners let us use for our services. That night we would find the attendance at preaching service doubled. Plans having been made for a young people's social on Thursday night we would find that twelve had ventured out in spite of the fact that it was the coldest night of the winter "and a grand time was had by all." Then as time went by, we would develop a regular program including Sunday School with an average attendance of 35, Youth Fellowship with an attendance of 25, a Children's extra session with an attendance of 8, Church Night, including recreation, singing, prayer meeting with an attendance of 55, preaching twice a month by the pastor from Rayville.

It has been a year of satisfaction and pleasure because of the development of the people and of the interest they manifest in the work, and the prospects of continued growth, and because of the deepening of my own religious experience.

SHIELA E. NUTTALL

## ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER

### Officers of Board

President.....	Mrs. J. W. Warren
Vice-President.....	Mrs. C. C. Hightower
Recording Secretary.....	Mrs. H. P. Shallcross
Corresponding Secretary.....	Mrs. J. W. Woodard
Treasurer.....	Mrs. R. M. Miller

### Members of Staff

Head Resident.....	Julia Southard
Direct of Music and Art.....	Julia Lovin
Director of Girls' Work.....	Mary Shugart
Director of Boys' Work.....	William H. Owens
Nurse.....	Emma Vogel

Camp and swimming pool are uppermost in St. Mark's youngsters' minds these spring days! The pool opens May 18 and we go to camp June 6. We are fortunate this year to go to beautiful Camp Bogue Falaya near Covington. Camp is a high point in the experience of our children because many of them never get outside of the city at any other time. It is also a good experience in democratic group living. From one camping period to the next, camp is the chief topic of conversation when campers get together. Because of limited funds we are not able to take all of the children who would like to go and we hope the future will remedy this situation.

The Music Department is doing outstanding work this year in spite of the W. P. A. music teachers being taken away for Defense Work. About 35 children took part in a recital in March and another one will be held in May. Many parents came to the recital and were served refreshments by the children as a part of the evening's program.

The Girl's Department is very fortunate in having at its head, Miss Mary Shugart, graduate of Western Reserve University and especially trained for group work. She is a daughter of a Methodist minister and brings great spiritual reinforcement with her many skills. The girls have initiated and sponsored many projects that have benefitted St. Mark's as well as contributed to their own development.

The Boys' Department has been strengthened this year and more contacts made with neighborhood groups. The Church School Intermediates have organized an athletic club and it looks as though they may be able to replace the famous Yellow Jackets.

1941 was the biggest year the clinic ever had. At this time some of the services are having to be curtailed because of the shortage of doctors and dentists due to the war.

Under the leadership of Rev. Whitaker, the St. Mark's Church is having one of its best years. It has gone far in the past few years and has a bright future with the new leadership being developed among its members.

The churches of New Orleans have sponsored parties once a month at St. Mark's for the men in the Army and Navy. These have been outstanding events and have been sincerely enjoyed and appreciated by the soldiers and sailors as has been shown by the letters they have written.

## JULIA SOUTHARD

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### BUSINESS GIRLS' INN

(formerly known as Jubilee Inn)  
City Mission Board

President.....	Mrs. Lee Kinnebrew
Vice-President.....	Mrs. W. E. Ijams
Recording Secretary.....	Mrs. Lee Tidwell
Treasurer.....	Mrs. N. L. Hudson

In a day when there is so much of unrest, evil and distress about us, to provide a home that will develop the finest and best in character, is a great undertaking, but also a wonderful opportunity. The environment in which we live is not only evident in the life of today, but often in the years ahead the seeds sown today bring forth fruit. We believe this is true of many who pass this way.

The home provides for twenty-four girls and recently they were asked to make one statement as to what the home meant to them. The following are quotations from some of them:

"This home is a continuation of my home life."

"It is the nicest and best place for me to live, beside home with the family."

"The home has given me a security when I was a stranger in a big place and did not know anyone."

"The home brings back the Christian atmosphere after being in a more worldly atmosphere all day."

"The home has helped me to gain friends and to understand people."

"I am thankful for a place like this to live."

"The home has been health, happiness and has made me feel good knowing that I have some one interested in my well being."

"Most of all I have enjoyed the spiritual atmosphere of the home; the prayers, daily reading and vespers."

"The home has taught me how to live with others; to share with others in a way that I believe Christ would want me to."

"The home has made me to see a brighter side of life and has brought me closer to God than I have been in many months."

"The home has been an inspiration for a better spiritual life. I feel closer to God and the better things of life."

"I have been brought closer to the church and it's work. Being in the choir has meant so much to me—I think I owe my being in it to my being here."

"I look forward to the vesper service each Wednesday night, hoping and praying that thru' prayer, songs or talks that all of us may give our lives to Christ in return for His love for us."

MRS. MARY E. FREEMAN

## SAGAR-BROWN HOME AND SCHOOL

### Staff

Eva M. Callaway.....	Superintendent
Agnes A. Adams.....	Principal
Rosa A. Cobb.....	Home Economics
Carie Patillo.....	Grade and Calisthenics
Vivian Unruh.....	Grade and Music
Dorothy Strine.....	Primary Teacher
Antonia Jackson.....	Girls Matron
Elizabeth Reed.....	Boys Matron
Elnora Bernard.....	Kitchen Matron
Charles Wright.....	Farmer

There are 46 Negro children in the home, with an attendance of approximately 50 from the town of Baldwin.

An attempt is made to give the children a well rounded Christian life. They receive religious training and regularly attend Sunday School and Church. Training is given to fit them for life in various phases of homemaking, farming, dairying, stock and poultry raising.

EVA. M. CALLAWAY, Supt.

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## REPORT OF MAMIEJ CHANDLER, DEACONESS

### Student Worker, Louisiana State Normal College

The program of our Wesley Foundation this year has been centered around "The Meaning of Jesus for the Student of Today." Our aim has been to make Christianity a vital experience in the daily life of our students and our emphasis has been upon living as a Christian in all one's relationships.

In Student Class on Sunday mornings at the Church School, the Counselor has presented an interpretation of the Personality of Jesus, using "Jesus As They Remembered Him," by Quimby, as a basis for her lectures. Worship, led by students, has followed this theme. These lectures have been designated to stimulate thinking for the discussions held on Sunday evenings at the meetings of the Wesley Foundation in the social room of the Church. These meetings begin with a "Friendly", followed by worship led by students, and then an open discussion, led by the Counselor on the meaning of the life and teachings of Jesus to students on our campus.

The Bible Class, which meets weekly in the Wesley Foundation Center, is studying "The Sermon on the Mount". A Fellowship Group meets every Wednesday night to think together on the practical implications of following the teaching of Jesus. Meditation is conducted

by the Counselor every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 7:00 o'clock in the Chapel in the Student Religious Center. Through these weekly meditations, students are learning the value of a daily time of devotion, as well as the art of group meditation.

The program of the Wesley Foundation is carried on through Commissions in the following areas: Worship, Personnel, World Friendship, Bible Study, Peace Education, Drama, Recreation, Literature and Training, Church Relations, Publicity. The Wesley Foundation Center in the Student Religious Center on the campus is kept open at all times, and the Counselor welcomes students to this "home away from home," where they come for counsel and fellowship.

The Pastor of the local Church, Rev. Carl F. Lueg, ministers in a very real way to the needs of College students, and offers every opportunity for their participation in the services of the Church. Students sing in our Church Choir and act as ushers at Morning and Evening Service. The Woman's Society of Christian Service cooperated with the Wesley Foundation in giving a welcoming party to all Methodist Students at the beginning of the Fall Semester. The Counselor is a member of the Wesleyan Guild, and teaches a Bible Study in this organization. She also led the Bible Study for the Woman's Society in March.

An outstanding event of our year's program was the Campus visitation of Dr. DeWitt C. Baldwin, Director of Student Work, Board of Missions, New York City, and Mr. Murray S. Dickson, Director Wesley Foundation, University of Texas. This visitation was made possible through the cooperation of our Conference Board of Christian Education. Splendid cooperation was given by the Administration of the College and these visitors were presented to the general assembly of the student body and faculty, to classes and groups, as well as to the Wesley Foundation. Conferences were held with members of the Administrative Staff, the College President, members of the faculty, and with students. These two leaders made a very fine presentation of the purpose and program of our Methodist Student Movement and gave a new impetus to the students and adult leaders in our local program. A new interest in our missionary program has been evidenced by the students since this visitation. During Lent a special self-denial offering was made to the World's Student Service Fund, garments, were knitted and clothing collected for overseas relief through the American Friends Service Commission

Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton was brought to our campus by the college administration in October. We cooperated in making her visit possible.

David White and John Swomley, youth secretaries of the Fellowship of Reconciliation made visits to our Wesley Foundation this year. We are keeping before our students the attitude of the Methodist Church toward war and toward the right of each individual to make his own



decision on the basis of his Christian faith. We feel that the Christian attitude of understanding and tolerance is being developed in our student group.

Seven of our students attended the Methodist Student Regional Conference, Baldwin, Kansas, June 9-14. Six attended the Louisiana Conference Student Retreat, Sept. 1-4. A Retreat for our own Local Wesley Foundation officers and leaders was held at our local Church, September 29-30, to prepare for the program of this year. Five students attended the National Methodist Student Conference, Urbana, Ill., Dec. 9 - Jan. 2nd Council of Conference Students Work in Monroe. The Counselor also attended all these Conferences, as well as the Retreat held by the Women's Society of the Conference at MacDonell in October, and the Jurisdictional meeting in Oklahoma City in February.

Last Christmas the City of Natchitoches requested the Wesley Foundation to present a Christmas pageant on the River Bank, as part of the Christmas celebration. We welcomed this opportunity to render a service to the community, and with the cooperation of the Speech Department and the Head of the Music Department of the College, we presented a beautiful pageant of the Nativity, using more than one hundred students. The Church Choirs of the city, Catholic and Protestant, furnished the music. The City paid all expenses of the pageant.

The enrollment at the opening of the Fall Semester was 1,175—278 Methodist, 17 members of the Christian Church, included in our program—a total of 295 students in our Methodist group—the Wesley Foundation. There was a decrease in enrollment the Second Semester of 183—and we now have in College a total of 273 Methodist Students.

The Administration of the College is vitally interested in making the program of Religion on our campus effective in the lives of our students. A Director of Student Welfare has recently been added to the Administrative Staff. He is a well-trained personal Counselor, a Christian gentleman, and a member of the Methodist Church. His guidance and sincere interest in the welfare of students is of inestimable value to the program of religion on the campus.

The test of any program is its effect on persons. Through our program this year many of our students have been led into a better understanding of the meaning of being sincerely Christian and several have committed themselves to Jesus as Lord and Master of their lives and have come into fellowship of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

MAMIEJ CHANDLER,  
Student Counselor



## REPORT OF STUDENT WORK AT SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA INSTITUTE

In the early fall a group of twelve Southwestern students met to plan for our Wesley Foundation program. None of us knew what the year would bring, but our hopes were high. Out of the days of planning together, a number of aims were listed. Among them the following:

1. We wanted the WESLEY FOUNDATION to serve as a real home to Methodist students while they were away from home.
2. To furnish wholesome recreational facilities close to the campus.
3. To create a spirit of fellowship within the group, and to help us to discover religious truths together.

We were slowly seeing our hopes realized, but for five months we had been pushing our program up hill under difficulty. Until March the first it seemed that we were only marking time. In spite of repeated efforts to contact the students, three fourths of them remained only names in a card file. There was excellent weekly attendance in our temporary room, but with the pronouncing of the benediction the students hurried out into the night. Everything had to be done the hard way. Fifty MOTIVE magazines were delivered from door to door in every dormitory. In short—our Wesley Foundation program was being run by remote control. Then on March 1st a wonderful thing happened . . .

Rev. Morris announced that the ministers of the three churches had gotten together and rented a home for Protestant students, facing the campus. It was largely through his efforts that this was possible. Neighboring churches recognizing our need have assisted with the rent. The whole community has become interested in our new Protestant Student Center.

In a few short weeks the results have been evident. Instead of writing cards each week to keep the students interested, and thinking of ways to hold the program together, we now have young people dropping in to the center, getting acquainted, reading the bulletin board, and coming to weekly and Sunday activities. (Students that have here-to-fore shown no interest.)

Through the process of planting flowers, hanging curtains, and making badminton courts, good friends are being made, within the group and for the church. They know every time a check or a box or a visitor comes, expressing the interest of Methodists throughout the state. The churches of Bunkie and Welsh and Whites Chapel have done a great deal to help us in making our center a home-like place.

When you come to see us you will find an attractive living room, with young people enjoying good books, good music and good times. The play room is always full after a hard day of classes. Our kitchenette is outstanding mainly for the coffee pot and accompanying sign which reads "Have a sup—and wash your cup."

There is nothing like pingpong for a few minutes of recreation. We need two more tables to accommodate those who want to play.

One room has been set aside for a Quiet room, where individuals or groups can meet for devotions. During Holy week an early morning worship service was held at 6:30 and the room was filled each morning.

On the Sunday evening before Easter the students presented an impressive service at the Church hour. Twelve of the finest students on the campus blended their talents in the presentation of the events of Holy week. It was an hour to be remembered!

Every campus program has certain highlights of the year—the fall retreat; the Installation service and Christmas play. For us the Religious Emphasis Week meant a great deal because it helped to hold the group together until our center was opened. Murray Dickson and DeWitt Baldwin won the respect of faculty and students alike. They helped to interest our young people in summer camps and conferences.

Out of the five selected for the Executive Council next year in all probability one will go to the Lisle Fellowship in Colorado, another to Baldwin to the Regional conference, and two on Youth Caravans for the entire summer. These young people will come back to us with new ideas valuable experiences and renewed inspiration.

It is our ambition as work with Methodist students to develop a program for which they are responsible. A program that is as inclusive as life itself—one which is Christ centered and challenging to the youth of today. Our prayer is not that the students be sheltered from the storms of life—but that we can help them to be strong enough to stand the gale!

BETTY GLASSON, Director

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## STUDENT WORK AT LOUISIANA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Our student group on the campus of Louisiana Tech forms the Young People's Department of the local church, therefore our organization and workers are not set up entirely under the program of the Wesley Foundation. Our church school class and evening service are held at the church, and on Tuesday evening a meeting is held on the campus. Students are encouraged to unite with the local church and to participate in all its activities. Several members of the student group sing in the Sunday morning choir and assist in other departments of the church. The Sunday night choir is composed entirely of college students.

The enrollment of the College in October was approximately 1700, but decreased to 1500 at the beginning of the second semester. Of this number 535 are Methodists—445 living on the campus and in town and 90 drive-in students. Approximately 200 of those living on the campus and in Ruston are touched definitely by our program, and the drive-in students are urged to participate regularly in their respective church service.

At the beginning of the year our council was composed of nine students selected for their leadership and active interest in church activities. Since that time, however, our membership has been increased to 15, and we have the following commissions functioning: Worship, Membership, World Friendship, Community Service, Drama, Music, Recreation and Publicity.

This year we have been provided with a Student Religious Center on the campus. Our church and the two Baptist Churches are cooperating on the renting of a six-room house, and the ladies have furnished it for us. In addition to our Council meetings, conferences, commission meetings and other activities, we hold monthly social gatherings and birthday parties of the Center. Our group cooperated with the Baptist group in keeping open house for all the students during examination week.

We cooperated with Religious Organizations Council of the College in observing Religious Emphasis Week, October 19-25. Dr. Grace Sloan Overton was the guest speaker and gave us many inspiring messages. We also cooperated with the Presbyterian group in an exchange of worship services.

Special days, Race Relations Week, Christmas, and the Lenten Season were observed by series of services under the direction of the worship commission. In our church school sessions we have done particular study on the Life and teachings of Jesus, religious living and the church. On Sunday night, December 14, during the regular church hour a beautiful Christmas pageant was presented by the students. The entire Christmas story was given in chori music, effective tableaux, and instrumental music. Approximately 50 students participated in this special service. On Psalm Sunday a series of worship services on the Cross was climaxed by a special communion service at which time a sacrificial offering was taken for the World Student Service Fund.

Seven delegates attended the Second National Methodist Student Conference at Urbana, Illinois, during the Christmas Holidays, and since that time have attempted to continue the spirit and achievements of the Conference by giving special programs. One of these programs was given at the Sub-District meeting of the Methodist Youth Fellowship at our church on February 15. At the State Administrative Council meeting held in January at Northeast Junior College, three delegates from Tech were present.

On February 15, 16, 17, and 18 we were privileged to have with us Dr. DeWitt Baldwin, Director of Student Work for the Board of Missions and Church Extension, and Mr. Murray Dickson, Associate Director of Wesley Foundation on the University of Texas Campus. Worship services, open forums, lectures, workshop sessions, and personal interviews were held during this time, and we feel that our entire student program was rejuvenated.

The publication of our first newspaper, Methodist TECH-nicalities, was begun by the Publicity Commission last fall. This project provides experience in journalism for the members of the Commission and is well-received both by students and church folk. A weeking column entitled TECH CORNER is also printed in our church bulletin to provide news about our various activities.

The most outstanding project of the Community Service Commission this year has been the clothing of one of the boys at the Methodist Orphanage. The entire student group seems to enjoy contributing to this worthy project.

Plans are under way now for the election and installation of new officers and for sending leaders to Student Conferences and assemblies this summer. The new council will assume leadership in May and begin definite preparation for the program next year.

Respectfully submitted,

THELMA HUBBARD,

Student Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LAWS

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### BY-LAWS ADOPTED BY THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Constitution and by-laws for all Conference Societies will be found in the new Hand Book.

1. Officers shall be elected biennially for a term of four years, with the privilege of reelection for one additional term in the same office. To prevent vacancies in all offices at the same time, beginning in 1942 the following officers shall be elected for a two year term: Vice-President, Organization Secretary, Recording Secretary, Secretary of Literature and Publications, Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Secretary of Supplies, Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, and Secretary of Spiritual Life and Message. The following officers shall be elected for a four year term: President, Treasurer,

Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work, Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, Secretary of Student Work, Secretary of Children's Work.

2. When vacancies among officers, District Secretaries, or standing committees occur during the year they shall be filled by the administrative committee, with ratification of the Executive Committee, until the next annual session of the conference when the office shall be filled by election.

3. All minutes of the Conference shall be signed by the president and the recording secretary.

4. The Treasurer may disburse without order from President and Secretary of Organization the quarterly expense money for all officers and District Secretaries. She shall send quarterly itemized statements to the Secretary of Organization, President and District Secretaries.

5. Districts shall be divided into zones according to their size. A leader for each zone may be appointed by the District Secretary subject to the approval of the Secretary of Organization: The Zone Leaders shall hold meetings quarterly in their respective zones. A collection may be taken at each meeting. After the expense of the meeting is paid, the leader shall send the remainder to the Conference treasurer, stating the amount and from what zone.

6. Thirty-five cents per member shall be set aside by the Treasurer for a cultivation fund membership to be based on enrollment December 31, of preceeding year. Expense of officers, speakers at annual meetings, expense of executive meetings, expense of delegates to Jurisdictional meetings, expense for promotion and educational funds shall be paid from this cultivation fund. All money in the fund at the end of fiscal year over the amount necessary to adequately carry on the Conference work shall revert to the general fund.

7. Each local society shall include in its budget for Jurisdictional and Conference Cultivation, and for the purchase of literature, an amount equal to ten cents per member.

8. At each annual and district meeting public collections shall be taken for the Conference Work, and amounts forwarded to the Conference Treasurer. The district secretary may deduct any necessary expense of district meeting before remitting to the Treasurer.

9. The Treasurer shall advance each quarter for office expense the following amounts: To President, Vice-President, Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Groups, Secretary of Student Work, Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds, Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, Secretary of Children's Work, \$7.50 each; Secretary of Organization, \$12.50; Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, \$10.00; Secretary of Supplies, \$10.00; Secretary of Literature and Publications, \$20.00. \$20.00 quarterly shall be appropriated for the cost



of the "Conference News"; District Secretaries, \$7.50 each; Treasurer, \$25.00 per month. Postage expense shall be allowed all chairmen of Conference committees.

10. There shall be a standing committee on constitution and by-laws consisting of five members. It shall be the duty of this committee to watch all proposed legislation and call attention to any overlapping, conflicting and unnecessary items. It shall prepare for use under proper heading in the annual report, a copy of the standing rules and rules of order. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

11. There shall be a standing committee on Finance. It shall be the duty of this committee to study the financial needs of the Conference and plan ways to raise money to meet these needs. It shall make an annual report to the Conference Society of its work. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

12. There shall be a missionary personnel committee composed of the President, who shall be chairman, the Vice-President, Secretary of Organization, Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' groups, Secretary of Student work. It shall be the duty of this committee to interview those interested in preparing for definite Christian service.

13. There shall be a Deaconess Advisory Committee in each District with the following personnel: the District Secretary, who shall be chairman, the District Superintendent, Conference officers within the district, pastor in charge of the local church and the presidents of each society in the charge in which work is undertaken. This committee shall meet quarterly, at which time the worker employed by the Conference shall make a report. Written reports shall be submitted monthly to the District Secretary, Conference President and Secretary of Organization.

14. The District Advisory Committee shall recommend to the Executive Committee of the Conference the advisability of continuing each worker in the District.

15. There shall be an Administrative Committee composed of the President, Vice-President, Secretary of Organization, Treasurer and officers residing in the District involved in matters of administration. This Committee shall have the power to serve as ad interim Committee. Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

16. There shall be a research committee consisting of seven members, preferably one from each District. It shall be the duty of this committee to keep informed as to the type of women needed for places of leadership in the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, to seek constantly throughout the Church for women who are consecrated, trained and available for such places of service. It shall furnish this information to the Conference when the occasion demands. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.



17. Any member of the Woman's Division, and any Jurisdictional officers residing in this Conference shall be members of the Executive Committee.

18. All proposed changes to the by-laws shall be sent to the Committee on Constitution and By-laws 30 days before the annual meeting of the Conference, and typed copies shall be made for distribution to the delegates.

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## STANDING RULES OF THE CONFERENCE

### Article 1—

Nominations for District Secretary shall be made by a committee composed of the President, Vice-President, Secretary of Organization and Treasurer; election to be by acclamation.

### Article 2—

All communications from Conference Officers, such as circular letters, literature, etc., must go direct to society officers of corresponding office, instead of through the District Secretary.

### Article 3—

The retiring District Secretary shall plan as far as possible and if necessary hold the first district meeting after Conference.

### Article 4—

Each District Secretary will be allowed expense money to attend one meeting a year in each zone in her district. An additional Twenty-Five (\$25.00) Dollars per year will be allowed for cultivation work in the District.

### Article 5—

A committee shall be appointed to approve the minutes of the Conference session.

### Article 6—

Standing committees shall meet for organization before leaving the place of meeting of the Conference. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum. Expenses for one annual meeting of each standing committee shall be allowed.

### Article 7—

There shall be a committee of three, one of whom shall be the Secretary of Organization, elected to visit the home institutions within the boundary of the Conference and to cooperate with them in the advancement of their work. An expense account may be presented when necessary.

### Article 8—

Typists shall be supplied at the Annual meeting for the writing of Committee reports, expense of same to be paid by the Conference.

Article 9—

A half-hour of each forenoon during the Annual Meeting of the Conference shall be devoted to worship.

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# **ROSTER OF** **ZONE LEADERS AND SOCIETY PRESIDENTS** **ACCORDING TO ZONES AND DISTRICTS**

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### **ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT**

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Flora.....	Mrs. J. E. Faust.....	Flora, La.
Marthaville.....	Mrs. M. A. Walker.....	Box 142, Marthaville, La.
Natchitoches.....	Mrs. J. S. Mitchell.....	R.F.D. No. 3, Box 93, Natchitoches, La.
Oak Grove.....	Mrs. Lou Grigsby, R.F.D. 2,	Natchitoches, La.
Pleasant Hill.....	Miss Susie Haynes.....	Pleasant Hill, La.
Mount Zion.....	Mrs. L. C. Kieffer, Rt. 1, Box 68	Montgomery, La.

## **Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. J. Q. Elliott, Pineville, La.**

Boyce.....	Mrs. Nelson Lytle.....	Boyce, La.
Colfax.....	Mrs. M. H. Rodgers.....	Colfax, La.
Hollins Chapel.....	Mrs. O. E. Hadnett.....	Dry Prong, La.
Montgomery.....	Mrs. L. J. Harrison.....	Montgomery, La.
Pineville.....	Mrs. N. C. Alsup.....	Pineville, La.
Pleasant Grove.....	Mrs. Hargus Mills, R.F.D. No. 1,	Pineville, La.
Pollock.....	Mrs. E. M. McKenzie.....	Pollock, La.

## **Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. A. D. George, Glenmora, La.**

Alexandria.....	Mrs. G. A. Whitner, 1844 Thornton Court,	Alex- andria, La.
Elizabeth.....	Mrs. B. G. Dowies.....	Elizabeth, La.
Glenmora.....	Mrs. L. A. Blevins.....	Glenmora, La.
Lecompte.....	Mrs. A. C. Lyons.....	Lecompte, La.
Melder.....	Mrs. J. R. Strozier.....	Melder, La.
Oakdale.....	Mrs. T. J. Brouin.....	Oakdale, La.

## **Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. J. L. Ball, Sunset, La.**

Bunkie.....	Mrs. S. E. Lester.....	Bunkie, La.
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Melville.....	Mrs. George Holloway.....	Melville, La.
Oak Grove.....	Mrs. Vernon Fullington.....	Center Point, La.
Opelousas.....	Mrs. P. C. Faulk.....	712 Lavent St., Opelousas, La.
Palmetto.....	Mrs. G. A. McDaniel.....	Palmetto, La.
Whites Chapel.....	Mrs. Sidney Campbell.....	Rt. 3, Bunkie, La.

### Zone 5—Leader, Mrs. Willie Garr, Winnfield, La.

Olla.....	Mrs. S. O. Love.....	Olla, La.
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Urania.....	Mrs. Ed Blevins.....	Urania, La.
Winnfield.....	Mrs. F. C. Wren.....	Winnfield, La.

### Zone 6—Leader, Mrs. B. T. Gallaher, Trout, La.

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Jena.....	Mrs. A. I. Breithaupt.....	Jena, La.
Jonesville.....	Mrs. O. V. Hooker.....	Jonesville, La.
Sicily Island.....	Mrs. W. S. Peck.....	Sicily Island, La.

## BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

### Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. J. C. Lowry, 2224 Chickasaw Road, Baton Rouge, La.

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
First Church.....	Mrs. S. J. Fairchild, 620 9th St.,	Baton Rouge, La.
Istrouma.....	Mrs. Zula Williams, 3059 Tecumseh,	Baton Rouge, La.
Lottie.....	Mrs. Weston Muse.....	Lottie, La.
Plaquemine.....	Mrs. George Pierce.....	Plaquemine, La.
Slaughter.....	Mrs. J. I. Law.....	Bass, La.
University Church.....	Mrs. H. W. Gibbs, 964 Wilson, St.,	Baton Rouge, La.
Zachary.....	Mrs. D. C. Williams.....	Zachary, La.

### Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. O. K. Sharp, Covington, La.

Angie.....	Mrs. George W. Stafford.....	Angie, La.
Bogalusa.....	Mrs. C. M. Bush.....	Bogalusa, La.
Franklinton.....	Mrs. John A. Burris.....	Franklinton, La.
Covington.....	Mrs. T. E. Brunning.....	Covington, La.
Pearl River.....	Mrs. Geo. Zecherelly.....	Pearl River, La.

### Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. L. W. Rainey, Denham Springs, La.

Baker.....	Mrs. F. Reed.....	Baker, La.
Blackwater.....	Mrs. Lee Morgan.....	R.F.D. 1, Baker, La.
Deerford.....	Mrs. L. C. Hunt.....	Zachary, La.
Live Oak.....	Mrs. James Z. Underwood.....	Watson, La.
Meadows Chapel.....	Mrs. J. C. Cotton.....	Prairieville, La.
Denham Springs.....	Mrs. Ellis Hood.....	Denham Springs, La.
Mangum Chapel.....	Mrs. Lila M. Sibley.....	Corbin, La.

### Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. Francis Turner, Hammond, La.

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Hammond.....	Mrs. Kenneth Lewis.....	Hammond, La.
Kentwood.....	Mrs. Ralph Napier.....	Kentwood, La.

Ponchatoula.....	Mrs. Eugene Laborde.....	Ponchatoula, La.
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Loranger.....	Mrs. L. M. Cook.....	Loranger, La.
Tangipahoe.....	Mrs. G. O. Venable.....	Tangipahoa, La.
Tickfaw.....	Mrs. Hance Wilson.....	Tickfaw, La.
Wesley Chapel.....	Mrs. Frank Mixon.....	Ponchatoula, La.

**Zone 5—Leader, Mrs. Edith Spinks, St. Francisville, La.**

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Ethel.....	Mrs. K. P. Roddy.....	Ethel, La.
Greensburg.....	Mrs. Clyde S. Holland.....	Greensburg, La.
Jackson.....	Mrs. Thelma Bynum.....	Jackson, La.
New Hope.....	Mrs. Wm. F. Hadden.....	Corner, La.
St. Francisville.....	Mrs. Harry Daniel.....	RFD, Jackson, La.

## LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

**Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. W. H. Hamilton, DeQuincy, La.**

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Bell City.....	Mrs. Clem Demarets, RFD 2, Box 480, Lake Charles, La.	
DeQuincy.....	Mrs. E. J. Vorman.....	DeQuincy, La.
Elton.....	Mrs. Wyatt Anderson.....	Elton, La.
Iowa.....	Mrs. M. A. Sharp.....	Iowa, La.
Kinder.....	Mrs. Geo. M. King, III.....	Kinder, La.
Lake Charles.....	Mrs. H. R. Carter, 2431 S. Ryan St., Lake Charles, La.	
Raymonde.....	Mrs. E. N. Brown.....	Elton, La.
Simpson.....	Mrs. S. A. Knapp, 815 6th St., Lake Charles, La.	
Sulphur.....	Mrs. J. B. Mouton.....	Sulphur, La.
Vinton.....	Mrs. D. C. Wells.....	Vinton, La.
Welsh.....	Mrs. John J. Miller.....	Welsh, La.
Westlake.....	Mrs. J. E. Pilly, Rt. 1, Box 119-H, West Lake, La.	

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Davidson Memorial.....	Mrs. Boring Montgomery.....	Lafayette, La.
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Jeanerette.....	Mrs. J. H. Sewell.....	Jeanerette, La.
Lafayette.....	Mrs. T. J. Wilbanks.....	Lafayette, La.
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Rayne.....	Mrs. C. C. Carver.....	Rayne, La.

**Zone 3—Leader, Mrs R. C. Guy, Anacoco, La.**

Alco.....		
Anacoco.....	Mrs. G. C. Conerly.....	Anacoco, La.
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Hornbeck.....	Miss Lola Hughes.....	Hornbeck, La.
Many.....	Mrs. C. D. Hancock.....	Many, La.
Merryville.....	Mrs. W. A. Thompson, Box 112, Merryville, La.	
Prospect.....	Mrs. Ruby Westbrook.....	Florein, La.

#### Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. E. A. Doland, Lake Arthur, La.

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Maxie.....	Mrs. C. D. Hancock.....	Many, La.

### MONROE DISTRICT

#### Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. W. H. Cathey, Bastrop

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Bastrop.....	Mrs. Fred Marlett.....	Bastrop, La.
Bonita.....	Mrs. E. A. Doles.....	Bonita, La.
Collinston.....	Mrs. Chas. Rainey.....	Collinston, La.
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Jones.....	Mrs. W. L. Pugh.....	Jones, La.
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#### Zone 2—Leader,

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Epps.....	Mrs. S. D. Boyles.....	Epps, La.
Forest.....	Mrs. C. B. Vining.....	Box 209, Oak Grove, La.
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Oak Grove.....	Mrs. Dan Kelly.....	Oak Grove
Rayville.....	Mrs. W. L. Haley.....	Box 516, Rayville, La.
Tallulah.....	Mrs. C. M. Ritchie.....	Tallulah, La.
Transylvania.....	Mrs. Ernest Ouzts.....	Transylvania, La.

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Boeuf Prairie.....	Mrs. Milton Daily.....	Extension, La.
Crowville.....	Mrs. Emmitt Hardee.....	Rt. 1, Delhi, La.
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Waterproof.....	Mrs. C. L. Chennault.....	Ferriday, La.
Wesley.....	Mrs. E. H. Biggs.....	St. Joseph, La.
Winnsboro.....	Mrs. G. A. Wiggers.....	Winnsboro, La.
Wisner.....	Mrs. J. A. Alford.....	Wisner, La.

**Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Grayson, La.**

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Columbia Hts.....	Mrs. Reece Ray.....	Columbia, La.
Grayson.....	Mrs. A. Wells.....	Grayson, La.
Kelly.....	Mrs. Lottie Miller.....	Kelly, La.
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Monroe, Gordon.....	Mrs. C. B. Parsons.....	2308 S. Grand, Monroe, La.
Monroe, Stone.....	Mrs. H. F. Boyd.....	Rt. 1., Box 85-A, Monroe, La.
West Monroe.....	Mrs. Chas. H. Myers, 408 Mill St.,	West Monroe

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**NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT**

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Algiers.....	Mrs. Childs E. Dunbar.....	412 Park Blvd., New Orleans, La.
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Chalmette.....	Mrs. D. J. Abbott.....	3134 N. Derbigny St., New Orleans, La.
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Canal St.....	Mrs. J. H. Hutchins.....	1510 Joseph St., New Orleans, La.
Eighth St.....	Mrs. H. E. Hoppmeyer.....	223 Atherton Dr. Metairie, La.
Felicity.....	Mrs. J. T. Monroe.....	4123 Loyola, New Orleans, La.
First Church.....	Mrs. Leslie J. Hoyt.....	1462 Joseph St., New Orleans, La.
Gentilly.....	Mrs. A. J. Bech.....	4615 Baccich, New Orleans, La.
McHonoughville.....	Mrs. A. Hotard.....	708 Madison St., Gretna, La.

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Second Church.....	Mrs. Melvin Rouse.....	4217 Bienville St., New Orleans, La.
Slidell.....	Mrs. J. A. Bousquet.....	Slidell, La.
St. Marks.....	Mrs. J. Mandlebaum.....	130 N. Broad, New Orleans, La.

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Houma.....	Mrs. Claude Ellender.....	Houma, La.
Houma Heights.....	Mrs. Helen Landis.....	Houma, La.
Morgan City.....	Mrs. John A. Pharr.....	Berwick, La.

### Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. D. I. Bergeron

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Labadieville.....	Mrs. Emile Richard.....	Labadieville, La.
Lockport.....	Mrs. Manny Barrios.....	Lockport, La.
Pointe au Chene.....	Mrs. John Neal, Sr.....	Montegut, La.

## RUSTON DISTRICT

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Cotton Valley.....	Mrs. R. B. Swain.....	Cotton Valley, La.
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Harmony Chapel.....	Mrs. O. O. Fowler.....	Hico, La.
Homer.....	Mrs. W. E. Fine.....	Homer, La.
Lisbon.....	Mrs. B. W. McDonald.....	Lisbon, La.
Springhill.....	Mrs. T. T. Curry.....	Springhill, La.

### Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. A. E. Woodard, Ringgold, La.

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Bryceland.....	Mrs. W. J. N. Tilley.....	Bryceland, La.
Dubberly.....	Mrs. L. C. Prothro.....	Dubberly, La.
Gibsland.....	Mrs. W. W. Dance.....	Gibsland, La.
Heflin.....	Mrs. H. W. Smith.....	Heflin, La.
Minden.....	Mrs. A. C. Council.....	Minden, La.
McIntyre.....	Mrs. W. J. Cox.....	Rt. 4, Minden, La.
Oak Grove.....	Mrs. Morgan Shaffer.....	Rt., Gibsland, La.
Pleasant Valley.....	Mrs. R. T. Grounds.....	Rt. 4, Minden, La.
Ringgold.....	Mrs. D. O. Thurman.....	Ringgold, La.
Sibley.....	Mrs. O. T. Slater.....	Sibley, La.

**Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. J. A. Norris, Ruston, La.**

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Choudrant.....	Mrs. J. D. Huff.....	Choudrant, La.
Claiborne.....	Mrs. C. G. Simmons.....	Rt. 1, West Monroe, La.
Downsville.....	Mrs. Robt. McGehee.....	Downsville, La.
Farmerville.....	Mrs. Stein Baughman.....	Farmerville, La.
Marion.....	Mrs. K. S. Thompson.....	Marion, La.
Ruston.....	Mrs. G. E. Laskey.....	Ruston, La.

**Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. John C. Michaud, Hodge, La.**

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Ansley.....	Mrs. O. A. Kitchens.....	Ansley, La.
Chatham.....	Mrs. U. C. Cockrell.....	Chatham, La.
Clay.....	Mrs. F. M. Walsworth.....	Clay, La.
Concord.....	Mrs. J. K. Kennedy.....	RFD, Chatham, La.
Dodson.....	Mrs. Clyde Taylor.....	Dodson, La.
Eros.....	Miss Ola Golson.....	Eros, La.
Hodge.....	Mrs. Carl Etter.....	Hodge, La.
Jonesboro.....	Mrs. I. J. Allen.....	Jonesboro, La.

**Zone 5—Leader, Mrs. F. M. Hood, Simsboro, La.**

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Antioch.....	Mrs. Bruce Price.....	RFD, Simsboro, La.
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Summerfield.....	Mrs. W. A. Gray.....	Summerfield, La.

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